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AGENTS FOR THE *CHINA MAIL*.

LONDON:—F. ALGAR, 11 & 12, *Clement's Lane, Lombard Street*, E.C. GEORGE STREET & Co., 30, *Cornhill*. GORDON & GOTCH, *Ludgate Circus*, E.C. BATES HENDY & Co., 37, *Walbrook*, E.C. SAMUEL DEACON & Co., 150 & 154, *Leadenhall Street*. W. M. WILLS, 151, *Cannon Street*, E.C. ROBERT WATSON, 150 *Fleet Street*.
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Notices of Firms.

NOTICE.

THE MITSUI BUSSAN KAISHA.

I HAVE This Day been appointed MANAGER of the HONGKONG BRANCH of the above-named Firm.

Y. FUKUHARA.

Hongkong, May 10, 1892. 849

Banks.

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL.....$10,000,000.
RESERVE FUND.....$ 6,300,000.
RESERVE LIABILITY OF PROP'TORS.....$10,000,000.

COURT OF DIRECTORS:—
T. R. DAVIES, Esq.—Chairman.
H. HOPPIUS, Esq.—Deputy Chairman.
James J. Bell Irving, Esq. | Alex. McConachie, Esq.
C. J. Holliday, Esq. | J. S. Moses, Esq.
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Julius Kramer, Esq.

CHIEF MANAGER:
Hongkong—F. DE BOVIS, Esq.
MANAGER:
Shanghai—J. P. WADE GARDNER, Esq.
LONDON BANKERS—LONDON AND COUNTY BANKING CO. LD.

HONGKONG—INTEREST ALLOWED.
On Current Account at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the daily balance up to $200,000.
On Fixed Deposits.—
For 6 months 3½ per cent. per annum.
" 12 " 4½ " " up to $200,000.
" 12 " 4 " " on sums in excess of $200,000.

HONGKONG—INTEREST CHARGED.
6 % on LOANS against Shares with full margin.
6 % on Advances against Goods in neutral godowns.
7 % on Current Account Overdrafts.
7 % on Advances against Goods in private godowns.

F. DE BOVIS,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, May 13, 1892. 1571

THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA, LIMITED.

AUTHORIZED CAPITAL.....£1,000,000.
SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL.....£ 500,000.

HEAD OFFICE - HONGKONG.

Court of Directors.
D. GILLIES, Esq. | CHOW TUNG SHANG, Esq.
CHAN KIT SHAN, Esq. | W. WOTTON, Esq.
C. J. HIRST, Esq.
KWAN HOI CHUEN, Esq.
Chief Manager.
GEO. W. F. PLAYFAIR.

Advisory Committee in London.
THOMAS CARMICHAEL, Esq., Messrs Dent, Palmer & Co.
JOHN BUTTERY, Esq., Messrs John Buttery & Co.
C. B. STUART WORTLEY, Esq., M.P. for Hallam.
GEO. MUNRO.....*Manager.*

Bankers.
LONDON—THE ALLIANCE BANK (LD.)
SCOTLAND THE COMMERCIAL BANK OF SCOTLAND.

Shanghai—C. J. GALLOWAY, *Manager.*
Amoy—J. ANDERSON, *Manager.*
Yokohama—D. FRASER, *Manager.*

Current Accounts opened. Money received on Deposit. Drafts issued. Bills purchased and collected. Advances made on securities or goods in neutral godowns. Usual Bank Agency business undertaken.

Interest for 12 months Fixed 5 %.
do. 6 do. do. 4 %.
do. 3 do. do. 3 %.
Current Accounts 2 %.

For rates of Interest for other periods apply to the MANAGER.

Hongkong, February 17, 1892. 22

THE NEW ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION, LIMITED.

AUTHORISED CAPITAL.....£2,000,000.
PAID-UP CAPITAL.....£580,000.

LONDON:
Head Office.....40, Threadneedle Street.
West End Office...25, Cockspur Street.

BRANCHES IN INDIA, CHINA, JAPAN AND THE COLONIES.

THE BANK receives Money on Deposit, Buys and Sells Bills of Exchange, Issues Letters of Credit, forwards Bills for Collection, and Transacts Banking and Agency Business generally, on terms to be had on application.

E. W. RUTTER,
Manager.

Hongkong, August 19, 1891. 1362

Banks.

HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK.

THE business of the above Bank is conducted by the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION. Rules may be obtained on application.

INTEREST on deposits is allowed at 3½ PER CENT. per annum. Depositors may transfer at their option balances of $100 or more to the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANK, to be placed on FIXED DEPOSIT at 4½ PER CENT. per annum.

For the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation,
F. DE BOVIS,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, August 1, 1891. 1515

Intimations.

PERSEVERANCE LODGE OF HONGKONG, *No. 1165 E.C.*

A Regular MEETING of the above LODGE will be held in the FREEMASONS' HALL, Zetland Street, THIS EVENING, the 16th Inst., at 8.30 for 9 p.m. precisely. VISITING BRETHREN are cordially INVITED.

Hongkong, May 16, 1892. 844

KELLY & WALSH, LIMITED.

ANTI-COCKROACH VARNISH effectually prevents the destruction of books by Cockroaches without injury to the binding nor the production of the objectionable sticky appearance common with Chinese Varnishes.
SUN GLASSES AND PROTECTORS with Nickel Mounts: impervious to rust.
CHEAP TERRESTRIAL GLOBES.
SWAN FOUNTAIN PENS with Gold Nibs changeable at pleasure.
STYLOGRAPHIC PENS and Special Ink.
LADIES' & GENTLEMEN'S TENNIS SHOES.
DOG COLLARS in great variety.
STEPHEN'S, ANTOINE'S, and LYON'S Copying and Writing INKS.
CIGARETTES:—Sweet Caporals—Kinney's Straight Cuts—Three Castles—Wills' Fire Fly—Virginia Brights.
TOBACCOS;—Three Castles—Bristol Bird's Eye—Golden Cloud—Richmond Mixture—Richmond Gem Curly Cut—Happy Thought—Dollar Brand—Star Mixture—Golden Eagle—Captain Navy Cut.

SOLE AGENTS FOR
BRINSMEAD'S PIANOS
AND THE
MASON & HAMLIN ORGANS.

KELLY & WALSH, LIMITED,
HONGKONG. 868

HONGKONG & CHINA BAKERY Co., LD.

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.,
General Managers.

MANUFACTURERS of all kinds of BREAD, CAKES, BISCUITS, &c., &c., &c.
SUPPLIES DELIVERED DAILY.

WEDDING CAKES made to order.
SHIPS' BREAD AND BISCUITS.
PRICE LISTS can be had on application to LANE, CRAWFORD & Co., Queen's Road.

Hongkong, April 25, 1892. 761

SOCIÉTÉ FRANÇAISE DES HOUILLÈRES DE TOURANE.

THE Ordinary Annual General MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS will take place at HAIPHONG, RUE DE LA DOUANE (former Head Office of the Société), at 5 p.m., on MONDAY, 31st May, 1892, for the purpose of—
1.—Receiving the Reports of the Directors.
2.—Receiving the Report of the Auditor.
3.—Passing the Accounts.
4.—Electing Directors and the Auditor.
5.—Renewing the permission given to some Directors to do business with the Société.
6.—Confirming the sale of some property of the Société to the Banque de l'Indo Chine.

SHAREHOLDERS wishing to be represented are requested to deposit their Shares with Messrs. ULYSSE PILA & Co. d'Haiphong, or the Undersigned.

By Order,
ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, May 9, 1892. 843

PEAK HOTEL.

THIS Commodious and Well appointed HOTEL, situated at a height of 1,250 feet above sea-level, has been LEASED by the PROPRIETORS of the "VICTORIA HOTEL," is NOW OPEN and will be run in conjunction with their HOTEL in QUEEN'S ROAD, thus enabling them to offer special inducements to Visitors and Residents.

The HOTEL has been thoroughly Renovated, Redecorated and Refurnished.

A NEW and HANDSOME BAR has been Opened on the Basement, while a New BAR and BILLIARD ROOM has been erected on the main floor.

CHOPS, STEAKS, &c., can be served at any hour.

For full Particulars as to Rates, &c., apply to "VICTORIA HOTEL."

DORABJEE & HING KEE,
Lessees.

Hongkong, May 7, 1892. 733

SAILOR'S HOME.

ANY Cast-off CLOTHING, BOOKS, or PAPERS will be thankfully received at the Sailor's Home, West Point.

Address: Care of SUPERINTENDENT.

Business Notices.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.

HAVE JUST RECEIVED
FIRST DELIVERIES OF
NEW ART MUSLINS, from 15 Cents per yard.
New MADRAS MUSLINS.
New SUMMER CURTAINS.
New SUMMER CRETONNES.
NOTTINGHAM LACE CURTAINS,
ONE THOUSAND PAIRS,
from $2.00 per pair.
ALL LAST YEAR'S PATTERNS GREATLY REDUCED.
An Entirely New Stock of DRAPERY and HOUSEHOLD LINENS, GIUPUIRE TIFFIN and TEA CLOTHS, D'OYLEYS, &c., &c.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.

Hongkong, April 23, 1892. 753

THE MOUNT AUSTIN HOTEL,
1,400 FEET ABOVE SEA LEVEL.

Telegraphic address "EXCELSIOR," Hongkong, A. B. C. Code. TELEPHONE No. 35.

TARIFF UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE AND SUBJECT TO ACCOMMODATION BEING AVAILABLE.

Board and Lodging by the day (1 person)	$ 5.00.	Sitting room by the day	$ 3.00.
do. do. (for married couples) occupying one room	7.50.	do. month	50.00.
Board and Lodging by the week (1 person)	30.00.	Extra Bedroom by the day	2.50.
do. do. (for married couples) occupying one room	45.00.	do. month	45.00.
Board and Lodging by the month (1 person)	90.00.	Bed and Breakfast	2.50.
do. do. (for married couples) occupying one room	135.00.	Children by special arrangement.	

For further Particulars apply to the Undersigned at the Company's OFFICE, 38 and 40, Queen's Road Central, over the Hongkong Dispensary, or to the MANAGER, MOUNT AUSTIN HOTEL.

JOHN A. JUPP, *Secretary.*

Hongkong, May 1, 1892. 796

ROBERT LANG & Co.

NEW GOODS.

A LARGE SELECTION OF WHITE AND STRIPE FLANNELS AND SERGES.
TROPICAL TWEEDS, HOMESPUNS AND COATINGS.
TERAI HATS (ALL COLORS) AND SUN HATS.
BOOTS AND SHOES.
WATERPROOF COATS AND UMBRELLAS.
&c., &c., &c. 865

W. POWELL & Co.

EX STEAMSHIPS *GLENSHIEL* AND *SURAT*.
LARGE SHIPMENTS OF NEW GOODS:
LADIES' UNDERCLOTHING.
BABY LINEN.
INFANTS' WASHING SUN HATS and BONNETS.
NEW SPECIALITIES in MORNING WRAPPERS and TEA GOWNS.

W. POWELL & Co.

Hongkong, April 23, 1892. 754

Intimations.

A. S. WATSON & Co., LIMITED.

Issue of 10,000 New Shares of $10 each.

PURSUANT to Resolution, the GENERAL MANAGER of A. S. WATSON & Co., LIMITED, hereby invites applications from the SHAREHOLDERS of the Company for the ISSUE of 10,000 NEW SHARES of $10 each at a Premium of 50 Per Cent., or $15 a Share.

Each Registered Shareholder on the 31st day of MAY next applying for the New Issue will be entitled to one Share for every Five Shares registered in his name. Shares remaining unallotted in respect of incomplete numbers of Five Shares and Shares not applied for by those entitled to apply will be allotted among the General Manager and the Company's staff.

Applications for Shares in the New Issue will be received by the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION in Hongkong, from the 1st to the 4th day of JUNE next, both days inclusive, and the whole amount applied for will be payable on application.

The Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 1st to the 4th day of JUNE next, both days inclusive.

The present paid-up Capital of the Company is $500,000 divided into 50,000 Shares of $10 each, and the New Issue is required to increase the Capital of the Company to $600,000 divided into 60,000 Shares of $10 each.

The whole of the Premium received from the New Issue will be placed to the credit of the Permanent Reserve Fund.

The last Dividend paid by the Company was on the 5th November, 1891, being an Interim Dividend at the rate of 14 per cent. per annum on account of that year, and the Final Dividend for 1891 will be payable in MAY next. The New Issue will rank for the Interim Dividend to be declared in NOVEMBER next on account of 1892.

Forms of Application for the New Issue can be obtained at the Company's OFFICES over the Hongkong Dispensary or at the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANK.

By Order,
A. H. MANCELL,
Secretary.

Hongkong, April 7, 1892. 654

CHAS. J. GAUPP & Co.,
Chronometer, Watch & Clock Makers, Jewellers, Gold & Silversmiths.

NAUTICAL, SCIENTIFIC AND METEOROLOGICAL INSTRUMENTS.
VOIGTLANDER'S CELEBRATED BINOCULARS AND TELESCOPES.
RITCHIE'S LIQUID AND OTHER COMPASSES.
ADMIRALTY & IMRAY CHARTS, NAUTICAL BOOKS.
English SILVER & ELECTRO-PLATED WARE.
Christofle & Co.'s ELECTRO-PLATED WARE.
GOLD & SILVER JEWELLERY in great variety.
DIAMONDS AND DIAMOND JEWELLERY.
A Splendid Collection of the Latest LONDON PATTERNS, at very *moderate prices*. 749

Intimations.

WING HONG,
TAILOR, DRAPER & OUTFITTER,
JUST RECEIVED
A LARGE STOCK OF
FANCY FLANNELS, SERGES, SCOTCH TWEEDS, CHINESE SILKS.
All Kinds of WINTER WOOLEN CLOTHS *on hand.*
SELLING AT LOWEST PRICES,
also,
BEST TAILOR WORK AND PERFECT FIT GUARANTEED.
Please call in and try.
68, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL. 2050

THE MIIKE COAL MINING COMPANY.

THE MIIKE COAL is a bituminous Coal of dark reddish colour. For Steam purposes, it has been pronounced to be THE BEST AND THE MOST ECONOMICAL OF ALL THE JAPANESE COALS.

Its export is increasing yearly, and the opinions expressed by several of THE LARGEST REGULAR CONSUMERS are in testimony of the EXCELLENT QUALITIES OF THIS COAL.

ATTENTION is called to the following ADVANTAGES to Shipowners and Captains, who Coal their Bunkers direct from the Undersigned:—
Freshness of the Coal.
Uniformity of quality.
Freedom from impurities.
Supply in any quantity on shortest notice.
Quick despatch.
Best of weight, etc., etc.

MITSUI BUSSAN KAISHIA,
Sole Agents.

Hongkong, April 4, 1892. 631

TRADE MARK.

CALDBECK MACGREGOR & Co.,
Wine and Spirit Merchants,
13, QUEEN'S ROAD.

Hongkong, August 18, 1891. 1612

Insurances.

THE SUN LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY OF CANADA.

ASSETS OVER $3,000,000.00.

POLICIES absolutely non-forfeitable.
No restrictions as to Residence or Travelling.
Rates of Premia low.
Policies issued on all approved Forms.
For further Particulars, apply to

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.,
Agents for Hongkong.

23rd February, 1892. 369

Intimations.

PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

STEAM TO LONDON *VIA* SUEZ CANAL.

ARRANGEMENTS have been made for the Conveyance of SALOON PASSENGERS in the COMPANY'S EXTRA STEAMER
MALACCA
(Capt. P. W. CASE), proceeding to LONDON *via* SUEZ CANAL, and leaving Hongkong TO-MORROW, the 17th Inst., at Noon.

For Particulars as to Rates and Accommodation, apply to

H. H. JOSEPH,
Superintendent.

Hongkong, May 16, 1892. 779

THE 'MO' STEAMSHIP LINE.

HONGKONG-MACAO LINE.

TIME TABLE (REVISED).

THE Company's Screw Steamship
KWONG MO,
Captain CHRISTIAN, will Run to and from MACAO as under:—

	Leave Hongkong West Point Wharf.	Arrive Macao.	Leave Macao.	Arrive Hongkong.
MONDAY,	7.30 A.M.	NOON.	1.30 P.M.	5.30 P.M.
TUESDAY,	"	"	"	"
WEDNESDAY,	"	"	"	"
THURSDAY,	"	"	"	"
FRIDAY,	"	"	"	"
SATURDAY,	"	"	"	"
SUNDAY,*	"	"	"	"

* SPECIAL EXCURSION RATES will be charged for the Round Trip to MACAO and back when sufficient inducement offers on SUNDAYS, and the time of departure from Macao will then be altered to suit pleasure parties.

FARES:—First-class, $1.50 each way; Second-class, 60 cents; Deck, 40 cents.

Meals and Liquors provided on board, for the convenience of Passengers, at strictly moderate rates.

Passage Tickets may be had on board.

For Freight, Passage or further Particulars apply to

SUI KEE CHAN,
No. 53, Bonham Strand West.

Hongkong, April 26, 1892 770

PRIVATE BOARD & RESIDENCE.

MRS. FALCONER has VACANCIES for GENTLEMEN RESIDENT BOARDERS, at Kowloon, Victoria View.

Hongkong, July 13, 1891. 1388

To Let.

TO LET.

THE FIRST FLOOR of the CHARTERED MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA, LONDON & CHINA; suitable as OFFICES.

For Terms, apply to
THE BANK.

Hongkong, May 11, 1892. 853

TO LET.

A HOUSE in KNUTSFORD TERRACE, KOWLOON.

Apply to
THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY Co., LTD.

Hongkong, May 4, 1892. 816

TO LET.

"THE DEN," FURNISHED (for Summer Months)
"TUSCULUM," at MAGAZINE GAP.
FIRST FLOOR, No. 1, BLUE BUILDINGS.
GODOWN (under Messrs. DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.'s Offices).
GODOWN, No. 1A, BLUE BUILDINGS.
"STILLINGFLEET," "THE ALBANY."
SEMI-DETACHED HOUSES, at MAGAZINE GAP.
No. 2 and 2a, STAUNTON STREET (corner of OLD BAILEY).

Apply to
THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY Co., LTD.

Hongkong, May 4, 1892. 817

TO LET.

HOUSES at the PEAK and at 'BELILIOS TERRACE.'
ROOMS and SHOP in 'BEACONSFIELD ARCADE,' Queen's Road.
HOUSE, No. 31, Pokfulum Road 'WEST VILLA.'
GODOWNS in DUDDELL STREET.
HOUSE, No. 1, DUDDELL STREET.
BUNGALOW, 'DELIMAR,' Yow-ma-tee.
GODOWNS or OFFICES—First Floor at back of 'MARINE HOUSE.'

Apply to
BELILIOS & Co.

Hongkong, May 12, 1892. 862

Notices to Consignees.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

S.S. *STRATHLEVEN*,
FROM NEW YORK & SINGAPORE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods with the exception of Kerosine Oil are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the HONGKONG & KOWLOON WHARF & GODOWN COMPANY, at Kowloon, whence and/or from the Wharves delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 18th Inst. will be subject to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 18th Instant, or they will not be recognised.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 18th Inst., at 3 p.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

DODWELL, CARLILL & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, May 11, 1892. 854

Shipping.

Steamers.

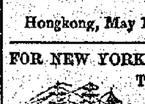
STEAM TO STRAITS & BOMBAY.
(Calling at COLOMBO if sufficient inducement offers.)

The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamship
Teheran,
Capt. C. H. S. TOCQUE, R.N.R., will leave for the above places on WEDNESDAY, the 18th Instant, at Noon.

H. H. JOSEPH,
Superintendent.

P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Office,
Hongkong, May 9, 1892. 842

FOR SINGAPORE, HAVRE AND HAMBURG.
(Taking Cargo at through rates to ANTWERP, AMSTERDAM, ROTTERDAM, LONDON, LIVERPOOL AND BREMEN.)



The Steamship
Polyphemia,
Capt. L. VOLTMER, will be despatched for the above Ports on WEDNESDAY, the 18th Inst., at 4 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
SIEMSSEN & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, May 10, 1892. 845

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

FOR KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

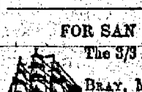
The Co.'s Steamship
Miike Maru,
Capt. J. R. MACMILLAN, will be despatched for the above Ports on THURSDAY, the 19th Instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
GEO. R. STEVENS & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, May 10, 1892. 851

MOGUL LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR SHANGHAI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

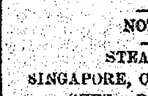


The Steamship
Energia
will be despatched as above on or about SATURDAY, the 21st Instant, at 5 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
DODWELL, CARLILL & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, May 14, 1892. 870

FOR NEW YORK *VIA* SUEZ CANAL.



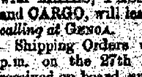
The Steamship
Port Adelaide,
JAMIESON, Commander, will be despatched for the above Port on or about SATURDAY, the 21st Instant, instead of as previously advertised.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
DODWELL, CARLILL & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, May 13, 1892. 781

SHIRE LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR SINGAPORE, HAVRE, LONDON, HAMBURG AND ANTWERP.



The Steamship
Breconshire,
Captain JACKSON, will be despatched as above on or about WEDNESDAY, the 25th Instant, instead of as previously advertised.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
DODWELL, CARLILL & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, May 11, 1892 767

Sailing Vessels.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.

The 3/3 *L.I.I.* American Ship
Wm. J. Rotch,
BRAY, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to
SHEWAN & Co.

Hongkong, April 29, 1892 782

Mails.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

NOTICE.

STEAM FOR
SINGAPORE, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, BRINDISI, GENOA, ANTWERP, BREMEN & HAMBURG, PORTS IN THE LEVANT, BLACK SEA & BALTIC PORTS;
ALSO,
LONDON, NEW YORK, BOSTON, BALTIMORE, NEW ORLEANS, GALVESTON & SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS.

THE COMPANY'S STEAMERS WILL CALL AT SOUTHAMPTON TO LAND PASSENGERS AND LUGGAGE.

N.B.—Cargo can be taken on through Bills of Lading for the principal places in RUSSIA.

ON SUNDAY, the 29th day of May, 1892, at 10 a.m., the Company's S.S. *BAYERN*, Captain H. ENGELBERT, with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE, and CARGO, will leave this port as above, *calling at* GENOA.

Shipping Orders will be granted till 5 p.m. on the 27th May. Cargo will be received on board until 1 p.m., Specie and Parcels until 10 a.m. on the 28th May. (Parcels are not to be sent on board; they must be left at the AGENCY'S Office). Contents of Packages is required.

The Steamer has splendid Accommodation and carries a Doctor and Stewardess.

For further Particulars, apply to—
MELCHERS & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, May 6, 1892. 824

Mails.

NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.
PAQUEBOTS POSTE FRANCAIS.

STEAM FOR
SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA, COLOMBO, PONDICHERRY, MADRAS, CALCUTTA, ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, MEDITERRANEAN AND BLACK SEA PORTS, ALEXANDRIA, MARSEILLES, AND PORTS OF BRAZIL, AND LA PLATA;
ALSO
LONDON, HAVRE AND BORDEAUX.

ON WEDNESDAY, the 18th May, 1892, at Noon, the Company's S.S. *MELBOURNE*, Commandant VERGET, with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE, and CARGO, will leave this Port for the above places.

Cargo and Specie will be registered for London as well as for Marseilles, and accepted in transit through Marseilles for the principal places of Europe.

Shipping Orders will be granted till Noon.

Cargo will be received on board until 4 p.m., Specie and Parcels until 3 p.m. on the 17th May, 1892. (Parcels are not to be sent on board; they must be left at the Agency's Office.)

Contents and value of Packages are required.

For further particulars, apply at the Company's Office.

G. DE CHAMPREAUX,
Agent.

Hongkong, May 5, 1892. 818

Occidental & Oriental Steamship Company.

TAKING CARGO AND PASSENGERS TO JAPAN, THE UNITED STATES, MEXICO, CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICA, AND EUROPE, *VIA* THE OVERLAND RAILWAYS, AND ATLANTIC & OTHER CONNECTING STEAMERS.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.
Gaelic.....SATURDAY, May 21.
Belgic.....TUESDAY, June 14.
Oceanic.....THURSDAY, July 7.

THE Steamship *GAELIC* will be despatched for San Francisco, *vid* Yokohama, on SATURDAY, 21st May, at 1 p.m., connection being made at Yokohama with Steamers from Shanghai and Japan Ports.

RATES OF PASSAGE.
FROM HONGKONG, FIRST CLASS.
To San Francisco, Vancouver, Victoria, Esquimault, New Westminster, Port Townsend, Seattle, Tacoma, Portland, O. $225.00
To Liverpool and London $325.00
To Paris and Bremen $345.00
To Havre and Hamburg.....$335.00
Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France, and Germany by all transAtlantic lines of Steamers.

RATES OF PASSAGE TO OVERLAND CITIES, FIRST CLASS.

DESTINATION.	30 day Tickets.	Continuous Trip Tickets.
Kansas City, Mo., Omaha, Neb	285.00	
St. Louis, Mo.	292.50	291.50
St. Paul, Minn., Minneapolis, Minn	292.90	
Chicago, Ill.	297.50	295.00
Milwaukee, Wis	299.50	296.00
Cincinnati, Ohio	302.50	301.50
Columbus, Ohio	304.25	304.20
Detroit, Mich	304.95	302.75
Cleveland, Ohio	306.55	305.00
Toronto, Canada	309.95	307.45
Pittsburg, Penn.	310.25	307.00
Niagara Falls, N.Y. Buffalo, N.Y.	311.00	308.50
Washington, D.C., Baltimore, Md	317.90	311.75
Montreal, Canada	319.75	313.00
Philadelphia, Penn	319.75	312.50
New York	319.75	315.00
Boston, Mass	321.15	322.00
Portland, Maine	327.25	317.00

All the above Rates are in Mexican Dollars.

Special rates (first class only) are granted to Missionaries, members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic, and Civil Services, to European officials in service of China and Japan, and to Government officials and their families.

Passengers by this Line have the option of proceeding Overland by the Southern Pacific and connecting Lines, Central Pacific, Northern Pacific or Canadian Pacific Railways.

Return Tickets.—First Class.—Prepaid return tickets to San Francisco will be issued at following rates:—
4 months $337.50
12 " $393.75

Time is reckoned from date of issue to date of re-embarkation at San Francisco.

Passengers, who have paid full fare, re-embarking at San Francisco for China or Japan (or vice versa) within one year will be allowed a discount of 10 %. *This allowance does not apply to through fares from China and Japan to Europe.*

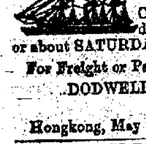
All Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full, and same will be received day the Company's Office, until 5 p.m. the at previous to sailing.

Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to points beyond San Francisco, in the United States, should be sent to the Company's Offices, addressed to the Collector of Customs, San Francisco.

For further information as to Freight or Passage, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 72, Ocean's Road Central.

J. S. VAN BUREN,
Agent.

Hongkong, April 28, 1892. 777



SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

May 15:—

Phra Nang, British str., from Whampoa.

Continental, Dutch str., from Whampoa.

Tetartos, German steamer, 1,576, W. Breitung, Saigon May 10, Rice.—SIEMSSEN & Co.

Activ, Danish steamer, 355, H. Hygom, Haiphong May 13, General.—A. R. MARTY.

Hailoong, British str., 783, T. N. Hall, Tamsui May 12, Amoy 13, and Swatow 14, General.—DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP Co.

Malacca, British steamer, 2,61, P. W. Case, Shanghai May 11, General.—P. & O. S. N. Co.

May 16:—

Wuotan, German steamer, 1,016, A. Ott, Saigon May 11, Rice.—WIELER & Co.

Choysang, British steamer, 1,194, R. C. D. Bradley, Shanghai and Swatow May 15, General.—JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.

Tai Yick, German steamer, 903, Emke, Newchwang and Chefoo May 11, Beans.—MEYER & Co.

Polyhymnia, German str., 1,050, Voltmer, Kobe May 18, General.—SIEMSSEN & Co.

Triumph, German steamer, 674, J. Bruhn, Pakhoi and Hoihow May 14, General.—EDUARD SCHELLHASS & Co.

Hsin-sheng, Chinese str., 855, Thos. Buchanan, Shanghai May 13, General.—C. M. S. N. Co.

Haiphong, French steamer, 874, Golletti, Haiphong May 13, and Hoihow 15, 550 tons General.—MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

Lyeemoon, German steamer, 1,238, G. Heuermann, Shanghai May 13, General.—SIEMSSEN & Co.

Ardgay, British steamer, 1,080, J. Thom, Wuhu May 11, Rice—JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.

Ask, Danish steamer, 682, Revsbeck, Hoihow May 15, General.—A. R. MARTY.

Zafiro, British steamer, 675, A. W. R. Cobban, Manila May 13, General.—SHEWAN & Co.

Hangchow, British steamer, 999, J. D. C. Arthur, Wuhu May 11, Rice and General.—BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.

Japan, British str., 1,865, A. G. Hamilton, Calcutta April 30, and Singapore May 10, Opium and General.—DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.

Mercury, British cruiser, 3,730, Captain Chas. J. Balfour, Nagasaki May 13.

Diamond, British steamer, 1,030, Robinson, Singapore May 9, General.—BAN MOH & Co.

DEPARTURES.

May 15:—

Sylphide, for Tamsui.
Thales, for Coast Ports.
Devawongse, for Bangkok.
Rio, for Saigon.
Paoting, for Shanghai.
Benalder, for Saigon.

May 16:—

Sea Swallow, for Keelung.
Kristina Nilsson, for Tientsin.
Yung Ping, for Shanghai.
Taisang, for Swatow, &c.
Yiksang, for Amoy.
Choysang, for Whampoa.
Ardgay, for Whampoa.
Hsin-sheng, for Whampoa.
Tai Yick, for Whampoa.
Chowchowfoo, for Amoy.

CLEARED.

Polyphemus, for Singapore and London.
Freir, for Hoihow.

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVED.

Per *Tetartos*, from Saigon, 28 Chinese.

Per *Hailoong*, from Coast Ports, Mr, Mrs and Miss Hobson, and 118 Chinese.

Per *Malacca*, from Shanghai: for Hongkong, Mr Cheong Lung and servant, Mrs Wilson, Mr Burton, Mrs Joseph, infant, amah and servant; for London via Marseilles, Mr Tricker, Dr., Mrs and Miss Perkins, Mr Ormerod, and Mr Vidal. From Amoy: for Hongkong, 69 Chinese; for Singapore, 282 Chinese; for Penang, 65 Chinese.

Per *Wuotan*, from Saigon, 10 Chinese.

Per *Polyhymnia*, from Kobe, Mr Arpe.

Per *Hsin-sheng*, from Shanghai, 7 Chinese.

Per *Haiphong*, from Haiphong: for Marseilles, Mr Huteau, and Mr Payre; for Yokohama, Mr Minault and servant, and Mrs Nosa Takatana; for Hongkong, 21 Chinese; from Hoihow, 5 Chinese.

Per *Lyeemoon*, from Shanghai, Mr Woan and servants, Mr Petersen, and 42 Chinese crew of late steamer *Peking*, and 108 Chinese.

Per *Ardgay*, from Wuhu, 4 Chinese.

Per *Zafiro*, from Manila, Mr and Mrs Vicente and servant, Messrs Santos, and Sharp, and 301 Chinese.

Per *Japan*, from Calcutta, &c., Lieut. W. A. Paterson, Mr Wright, Capt. Stonham, Messrs J. Grant, G. J. Gazil, 2 Japanese, 4 Europeans, and 471 Chinese.

Per *Diamond*, from Singapore, 542 Chinese.

DEPARTED.

Per *Thales*, for Swatow, 150 Chinese.

Per *Devawongse*, for Bangkok, 1 European, and 20 Chinese.

Per *Taisang*, for Swatow, Mr Tsang Tack; for Shanghai, Mr O. S. Taylor; for Newchwang, Mr H. A. Bush; for Tientsin, Mr J. M. Moorhead, Mrs and Miss Forbes.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British steamer *Hailoong* reports: Left Tamsui 12th May, Amoy 13th, and Swatow 14th; from Tamsui to Amoy, and Swatow, strong N.E'ly winds and high following sea, with cloudy weather; from Swatow to port, moderate Easterly winds, cloudy, but fine weather. Strs. in Amoy, *Cheang Hock Kian*, *Yung Ching* and *Hiroshima Maru*. Steamers in Swatow, *Pakshan*, *Sishan*, *Tamsui*, *Wosang* and *Fushiki Maru*.

The British steamer *Malacca* reports: Had fine weather.

The German steamer *Tai Yick* reports: Fine weather all the time; moderate N.E. wind.

The Chinese steamer *Hsin-sheng* reports: Had fresh N.E. breeze and fine clear weather.

The German steamer *Lyeemoon* reports: Had moderate to fresh North-Easterly wind and hazy weather all the way.

The British steamer *Ardgay* reports: Experienced moderate N.E. wind to Ocksen Light-house; thence to port, fresh N.E. wind and fine weather. Spoke Japanese man-of-war off Ocksen; and P. & O. Co.'s steamer off Brother Islands.

The British steamer *Zafiro* reports: Light S.W. round N. to N.E. winds, and fine weather to Pratas Shoal; from thence to port, fresh to moderate N.E. wind, and thick hazy weather with occasional showers.

The British steamer *Hangchow* reports: Left Wuhu at 4 p.m., on the 11th May, and arrived at Chinkiang at 11.30 p.m. Filled up with miscellaneous cargo and proceeded at 8.15 p.m., on the 12th; passed Woosung at 9.30 a.m., on the 13th, had light variable winds and fine to Turnabout; and thence to port, fresh N.E. wind and cloudy weather. Arrived at this port, at 3.30 p.m., to-day.

The British steamer *Japan* reports: Left Singapore on the 10th instant, and experienced light Southerly winds and calms to latitude 19° N.; thence to arrival, had fresh N.E. breeze, and hazy weather with rain.

MOUNT AUSTIN HOTEL.

LIST OF VISITORS.

Mrs George Armstrong
Miss Armstrong
Mr Bailey
Mr & Mrs E. V. Brenan and children
Consul Budler
Mrs Alexander Cook
Mr H. G. Dowler
Hon. W. M. Goodman
Mr and Mrs Guinness
Mr E. E. Humphreys
Mrs W. S. Inglis and children
Mr Charles C. Malech
Mr Herbert Ogilvie
Mrs Palisser
Mr J. H. Perry
Mr Price
Mr A. Ross
Mr Taylor
Mr and Mrs J. A. Thomson

VICTORIA HOTEL.

VISITORS' LIST.

Mr O. Bosweill
Mr H. Charpantice
Mr D. D. Cursetjee
Mr and Mrs Davies
Mr M. Escurarage
Mrs Farmer
Capt. A. Getley
Mr Morton Jones
Mr E. B. Jorey
Mr V. Kofod
Mr Luis Lanton
Capt. Geo. B. Pallett
Mr W. Smith
Mr W. H. Smith
Mr John Stewart
Mr Geo. Stewart
Mr H. J. Such
Mr and Mrs Vicente
Mr Chas. Weill
Mrs Wilson
Mr G. Wright

POST OFFICE NOTICES.

MAILS will close:—

For SINGAPORE & MAURITIUS.—
Per *Independent*, at 7.30 a.m., on Tuesday, the 17th inst., instead of as previously notified.

For SWATOW, AMOY & TAMSUI.—
Per *Hailoong*, at 11.30 a.m., on Tuesday, the 17th inst.

For KOBE.—
Per *Catterthun*, at 11.30 a.m., on Tuesday, the 17th inst.

For STRAITS & BOMBAY.—
Per *Teheran*, at 11.30 a.m., on Wednesday, the 18th inst.

For SINGAPORE.—
Per *Polyhymnia*, at 3.30 p.m., on Wednesday, the 18th inst.

For AMOY & MANILA.—
Per *Zafiro*, at 4.30 p.m., on Wednesday, the 18th inst.

MAILS BY THE FRENCH PACKET.—

The French Contract Packet *Melbourne* will be despatched on WEDNESDAY, the 18th Instant, with Mails for the United Kingdom, Europe, and places beyond, *viâ Marseilles*; to Saigon, Straits Settlements, Batavia, Burmah, Ceylon, the Australasian Colonies, Pondichéry, Madras, Aden, Mauritius, Egypt, Malta, and Gibraltar.

The usual hours will be observed in closing the Mails, &c.

General Memoranda.

WEDNESDAY, May 18:—
Goods per *Strathleven* undelivered after this date subject to rent.

THURSDAY, May 19:—
Goods per *Japan* undelivered after this date landed.

SATURDAY, May 21:—
2.45 p.m.—Competition of the Hongkong Rifle Association.

MONDAY, May 23:—
9 p.m.—Meeting of Victoria Lodge.

FRIDAY, May 27:—
3 p.m.—Meeting of Shareholders of A. S. Watson & Co., Ltd., at Hongkong Dispensary.

WEDNESDAY, June 1:—
Transfer Books of A. S. Watson & Co., Ltd., closed from this date to the 4th June, inclusive.

MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW.

Shipping.

7.30 a.m.—*Kwong Mo* leaves for Macao.
Noon.—*Hailoong* leaves for Swatow, &c.
Noon.—*Malacca* leaves for London.

Miscellaneous.

Goods per *Bayern* undelivered after this date subject to rent.

BIRTH.

At the Twin Pagodas, Soochow, on the 9th May, the wife of the Rev. HAMPDEN C. DU BOSE, of a son.

MARRIAGE.

On the 10th May, at the British Consulate-General, Shanghai, and afterwards at the Collegiate Church of St. John, Jessfield, by the Rev. F. L. Hawks Pott, B.D., GEORGE ALFRED RAPER to ELEANOR MARY SKELTON.

DEATH.

On the 10th Instant, at the Kiangnan Arsenal, Shanghai, EMILY, wife of Mr. Fung-yee, ex-Secretary of the Chinese Legation, London.

The publication of this issue commenced at 8.20 p.m.

The China Mail.

HONGKONG, MONDAY, MAY 16, 1892.

TELEGRAMS.

(*From Singapore papers.*)

LORD SALISBURY IN THE IRISH QUESTION.

London, 7th May, 1892.—The Marquis of Salisbury, speaking at a meeting of the Primrose League, urged the paramount importance of the Irish question and maintained that Parliament had no right to sell Ulster into slavery.

Home Rule, he said, was not a message of peace, but meant civil and religious war.

SUDDEN DEATH OF A GERMAN CONSUL.

(*N.-C. Daily News.*)

Nagasaki, May 10.—Herr F. von Zander, the Consul for Germany, has died suddenly from heart disease.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

PASSED SUEZ CANAL.

OUTWARD BOUND:—*Coringa*, April 5; *Strathlyon*, *Mascotte*, 8; *Olive Branch*, 19; *Port Philip*, 22; *Canton*, 26; *Ningchow*, *Prometheus*, 29; *Niobe*, *Fangsang*, *Glengyle*, May 3.

HOMEWARD BOUND:—*Benvenue*, *Florida*, April 1; *Anchises*, 8; *Riversdale*, 22; *Cyclops*, *Orestes*, 26; *Sarpedon*, 29; *Chingwo*, *Clyde*, *Electra*, May 3.

The M. M. Co.'s s. s. *Saghalien*, with the French Mail of April 15, left Saigon on Saturday, May 14, at 4 p.m.; and may be expected here on or about Tuesday, May 17. This packet brings replies to letters despatched from Hongkong on March 9.

The R. M. S. *Empress of Japan*, from Vancouver, left Shanghai for Hongkong on May 16, and may be expected to arrive here about 6 p.m. on May 18.

The P. M. S. S. Co.'s s. s. *China*, with the AMERICAN MAIL of April 28, leaves Yokohama on Tuesday, May 17, at daylight, and may be expected here on or about Sunday, May 22.

The O. & O. Co.'s s. s. *Belgic*, with the AMERICAN MAIL, left San Francisco on 10th May, for Hongkong, *via* Yokohama.

The O. S. S. Co.'s s. s. *Agamemnon* left Singapore on May 11, and may be expected here on or about May 17.

The Glen Line steamship *Glenorchy*, from London, left Singapore on May 12, and may be expected here on or about May 18.

The O. S. S. Co.'s steamship *Nestor* left Singapore on May 12, and may be expected here on or about May 18.

The s. s. *Energia* left Singapore on May 14, and may be expected here on or about May 20.

The D. D. R. s. s. *Lydia*, from Hamburg, left Singapore on May 14, and may be expected here on or about May 20.

The s. s. *Glamorganshire* left Singapore on May 15, and may be expected here on or about May 21.

The s. s. *Wingsang*, from Straits and Calcutta, left Singapore for this port on May 15, and may be expected here on or about May 21.

The P. & O. s. s. *Venetia* left Bombay for this port on May 6.

The P. & O. Co.'s s. s. *Canton* left London for this port on April 11.

The P. and O. s. s. *Formosa* left London for this port on April 30.

The P. & O. Co.'s s. s. *Shanghai* left London for this port on May 7.

AN account of the *Fushun-Peking* collision will be found on the fourth page.

MESSRS Dodwell, Carlill & Co. inform us that the s. s. *Glamorganshire* left Singapore yesterday for this port.

MESSRS Jardine, Matheson & Co. inform us that the s.s. *Wingsang*, from Calcutta and Straits for this port, left Singapore at 3 p.m. yesterday.

THE Agent of the M. M. Co. informs us that the Company's s.s. *Saghalien*, with the next French Mail, left Saigon for this port at 4 p.m. on the 14th inst. (Saturday).

THERE were 1,741 visitors to the City Hall Museum during the week ending 15th May, 1892, of whom 263 were Europeans and the rest Chinese.

THE R.M.S. *Empress of Japan*, Capt. G. A. Lee, from Vancouver, left Shanghai this afternoon, and may be expected to arrive in Hongkong about 6 p.m. on 18th inst.

WE are sorry to learn that Inspector Hanson is at present in Hospital suffering from fever and the effects of a shock sustained a few days ago by falling from his pony at Yaumati.

MESSRS Siemssen & Co. inform us that the D. D. R. steamer *Lydia*, from Hamburg, left Singapore for this port on the 14th, and may be expected here on or about the 20th May.

THE Agent of the Pacific Mail S.S. Co. informs us that the s.s. *China*, with mails &c. from San Francisco to the 28th ultimo (via Honolulu), has arrived at Yokohama, and leaves for this port to-morrow morning.

IT is notified in the *Gazette* of Saturday that H. E. the Governor has appointed Mr Charles Vivian Ladds, Colonial Veterinary Surgeon, to be in charge of the Vaccine Institute under the supervision of the Colonial Surgeon.

INSPECTOR Stanton, head of the Detective Department, has been promoted from second class to first class Inspector, and Inspector Bremner has been promoted from the second class to be acting first class Inspector. Several changes have been going on amongst the police, and consequent on Inspector Bremner's transference to the Central Station, Acting Inspector Baker has been sent to Wanchai.

BEFORE Mr Wodehouse at the Magistracy to-day Lo Shu Chin, Chinese constable, was charged with attempting to extort money from chair coolies in Possession Street on the 5th inst. He was also charged with assault. The evidence of the coolies having been taken, the prisoner stated that the men had a grudge against him because he had tried to keep the street clear, and that was the reason why they had brought this false charge against him. The case was remanded till Thursday.

THE return of the Collector of Stamp Revenue for April last shows that a total of $15,138.47 was received for the month as compared with $18,440.70 collected in the corresponding month of last year, showing a decrease of $3,302.23. The principal items of decrease were:—Probate, $1,994.00; bills of exchange and promissory notes, $824.70; impressed receipt stamps, $540; brokers' notes, $311; adhesive stamps, $236.79; and bank note duty, $159.98. The items showing an increase are few, the principal being—conveyances, $736.60; mortgages, $177.67½ and policy of insurance, $127.10.

THE Superintendent of the P. & O. Co. informs us that the Company's s. s. *Gwalior* left Kobe for this port at daylight to-day.

AT the Magistracy to-day a coolie was sent to prison for six months by Mr W. C. H. Hastings for breaking into the store of the Jockey Club and stealing a chair.

THE only alterations in the share list to-day are: Banks, 105% prem; China Traders, $60; China & Manila Steamship Co., $27; Douglas Steamship Co., $36.

A NOTIFICATION in the *Government Gazette* announces that H. E. the Governor has appointed the Rev. G. Reusch to be a member of the Board of Examiners in room of the Rev. F. Hartmann, who has left the Colony.

IT is notified in Saturday's *Gazette* that His Excellency the Governor has given his assent, in the name and on behalf of the Queen, to Ordinance Nos. 5 and 6 of 1892, being Ordinances to amend the Rating and Bankruptcy Ordinances respectively.

Two able seamen from H. M. S. *Peacock* were fined by Mr W. C. H. Hastings at the Magistracy to-day for assaulting a boat-girl at Hung Ham last night. One of the men was also fined for assaulting the police. The men were tipsy at the time the assaults were committed.

IT is notified in Saturday's *Gazette* that, under instructions from the Secretary of State for the Colonies, His Excellency the Governor has recognised provisionally, pending the arrival of the exequaturs of the Queen, Mr J. J. B. Heemskerk and Mr F. H. Slaghek, as Consul and Vice-Consul respectively for Belgium in this Colony.

IT is announced in the *Gazette* that His Excellency has directed that the anniversary of the birthday of Her Majesty the Queen be celebrated in this Colony on Friday, the 27th inst., instead of the 24th, and that day will, under the provisions of Ordinance No. 6 of 1875, be observed as a public holiday.

AT the instance of Inspector Hennessy six coolies were charged before Mr Wodehouse to-day with gambling in a house at 31 Upper Station Street. The two men who kept the house were each fined $50, with the alternative of one month's imprisonment, and the others $10 each, with the alternative of three weeks' imprisonment.

LAU A PAN, diver, Swatow, who was brought before Mr Wodehouse on Friday, charged with taking 100 lbs of dynamite on board the steamer *Namoa*, was again before the two Police Magistrates to-day. No further evidence was adduced. The prisoner stated that he wanted the dynamite for fishing purposes, and also to blow up some iron in the Shantan river. Sentence—$50 fine or six weeks' imprisonment. The dynamite was forfeited.

The gamblers at Quarry Bay are getting ill-tempered over the attentions of Inspector Gauld and his men from Shaukiwan, and on Saturday a *lukong* who was attempting to take two men into custody received a severe mauling from a large number of their friends. He stuck pluckily to one of his prisoners, and receiving assistance from Europeans took this man into custody. Inspector Gauld visited the scene with a detachment of police, and succeeded in arresting four of the men concerned in the assault. They were dealt with at the Magistracy to-day. One man was fined $10 and his companions $7 each.

THIS morning a Court-martial was held on board the *Victor Emanuel*. Capt. Castle, of the *Leander*, presided, and the following officers constituted the Court:—Commander Goodrich, *Victor Emanuel*; Lieut. Commander Ingram, *Peacock*; Lieut.-Commander Tufnell, *Firebrand*; and Lieut. Paget, *Victor Emanuel*. The Commodore's Secretary acted as Judge-Advocate. William Hayes, surgeon of the *Porpoise*, was charged with intoxication on board that ship, on the 10th inst., in Hongkong harbour. H. F. Aplin, first lieutenant, stated that the prisoner was ashore on the afternoon of the day named, and returned on board about six o'clock. As he was going to his cabin witness noticed that prisoner could not walk straight, and found that he was drunk. On being accused prisoner denied it, and witness sent him below under arrest. Prisoner admitted the offence, and speaking to his good character ever since he joined the service he produced testimonials from his former commanders—*Royal Adelaide*, 1884; *Himalaya*, 1888; *Cordelia*, 1889; *Himalaya*, 1890; *Victor Emanuel*, 1890; and *Porpoise*, 1891. All stated that he served efficiently and steadily, and no fault was recorded against him. Prisoner had been a total abstainer for a long time. The Court, after deliberation, delivered the following finding:—'The prisoner having pleaded guilty, the Court considers that the charge has been proved, and sentences the prisoner to be deprived of all seniority, and to be dismissed the service.'

WE understand that the famous Tom Cannon having expressed great surprise at the performances of China ponies, with the weights they carry, and especially at the little difference that extra weight makes to them, Captain Jones, of the *Glenshiel*, who is a personal friend of Cannon's, is taking home to him the pony *Koh-i-nor*, that he may satisfy himself as to what a good China pony can do. *Koh-i-nor* is a brown pony, 13hds. 1in., a subscription griffin, who won the Trial Stakes, ¾ mile, this last meeting in 1m. 35½s., was a good second to *Osprey* in the Mongolian Cup, 1¼ miles, which was won in 2m. 46s., and won the Shanlung Stakes, 1 mile, carrying 11st. 8lbs., in 2m. 9s.—*N.-C. Daily News.*

THE China Navigation Co.'s s.s. *Newchwang* was picked up by the *Tungchow* on the 11th inst., with shaft broken, 60 miles north of Shaweishan, and was brought into Shanghai on the following day.

A TELEGRAM to the *Shanghai Mercury* states that owing to the fearful odds that the salvage party, working at the wreck of the sunken German steamer *Marie*, had to contend against, it has been decided to abandon further attempts at raising her.

IN consequence of the verdict of the Coroner's jury on Thursday, the deputy U.S. Marshal, James A. Frame, will shortly be tried by the Consul-General and four associates, for causing the death of George Lemon.

IT will be remembered, says the *N.-C. Daily News*, that one of the grievances against the Chinese authorities arising out of last year's riots was, that the magistrate at Wuhu who tried to do his duty and stop the riot was punished by being cashiered and deprived of his button. It will be learnt with great satisfaction that, owing no doubt to the representations of the *corps diplomatique*, he has now had his official title restored, and is to be employed again in Nganking.

THE *N.-C. Daily News* of the 11th inst. says:—Letters received yesterday from Hankow report the arrival of 170 musters and the settlement of some few teas, all for Russia, at about 30 per cent. under last year's prices, for very inferior teas. The crop is beyond question a very inferior one, owing to the untimely rains, and a general feeling of disgust pervades the tea-tasting community.

THE *N.-C. Daily News* of the 9th inst. says:—The U.S.S. *Monocacy* left Shanghai on Saturday morning for target practice. Before she could get her head pointed down river, she had a rather disagreeable experience, for she ran into the Russian gunboat *Mandjour* and carried away the latter's jibboom which smashed a portion of the *Mandjour's* port paddlebox and carried away one of her boat falls. The accident was caused by the strong wind which also prevented the ships in the river swinging to the tide.

A SERIOUS epidemic, says the *Hupao*, is at its height in Peking and vicinity and is carrying off vast numbers of people in that region. Persons affected by the disease rarely recover, and in some instances whole families are swept away. In consequence of this the drug shops and physicians are doing an immensely lucrative business, and the demand for medical men is far in excess of the supply. The epidemic is attributed to the want of rain this spring and the extremely warm days with intensely cold mornings and evenings.

A DARING infringement by the Native Authorities of the rights of Municipality took place, says the *Shanghai Mercury*, on the 6th inst. at Yangtsepoo. About 7 o'clock in the morning a gang of soldiers in the employment of the Salt Commissioner were in pursuit of some smugglers, near Birt's Wharf, and deliberately fired at the fugitives just as the latter were making for their boats. The smugglers got away, but their boats were captured, and the soldiers calmly went off without anybody interfering with them. We wonder where were the police that they did not arrest the rascals for discharging fire-arms within the limits of the Settlements. If this kind of thing is not checked once and for all without further delay, we shall have every petty official's braves and runners blazing away at people on the Bund, setting the laws of the Municipality even more openly at defiance.

THE *Shanghai Mercury* of the 10th inst. says:—The U. S. gunboat *Petrel* left here to-day rather suddenly for up-River, calling first at Chinkiang. Her sudden departure has been caused, we believe, by a communication from the French Missionaries to the French Consul-General to the effect that there was reason to fear a renewal of anti-Foreign rioting this month, particularly about the 17th day of the present China moon, when a big festival will give an excuse for an unruly gathering in Chinkiang. It was therefore thought advisable to be prepared, and after a consultation between the French Consul and General Jones, the U.S. Consul at Chinkiang, who happens to be here at the moment, it was arranged to despatch the *Petrel* before her previously fixed date. We believe the French gunboat *Vipere* is shortly to follow. So far there has been no news of actual trouble, and the precautions already taken may stave off any intended outbreak. The British gunboat *Pigmy* is also at Chinkiang.—The same paper on the following day said:—We are informed by a reliable authority that there need be no apprehension of trouble arising in Chinkiang from the great festival which takes place there to-morrow.

INTERPORT SHOOTING MATCH.

Mr E. Robinson, Hon. Secretary of the Hongkong Rifle Association, has received a telegram from Singapore intimating that the score of the Singapore team in the Interport Rifle Match is 752 points. This gives Hongkong a double victory over Shanghai and Singapore, and for the second time in succession within a few months the Hongkong team has managed to assert its superiority with the rifle. The Shanghai and Hongkong scores are lower than on the previous occasion by 20 and 32 points, respectively, whereas Singapore has improved 8 points. In the last match the scores were:—Hongkong, 867; Shanghai, 830; Singapore, 744. On this occasion the scores were as follows:—

Hongkong	835
Shanghai	810
Singapore	752

HONGKONG RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

Ten members entered for the short range cup and spoons on Saturday. The weather was pleasant, but most of the competitors under-estimated the force of the wind. Mr Holmes, who shot up well at 500 yards, spoilt his chances at 600 by a careless shot, resulting in a miss, leaving Mr S. McLennan alone in front. Mr McLennan succeeded in breaking his record at 500 yards, and with a liberal allowance of 18, led to the finish, when, however, the Hon. Sec., with 32 to make, went down and caught him on the post. Mr E. Robinson won the cup for the first time, and secured the net aggregate spoon, while Mr S. McLennan took the handicap aggregate spoon, each 63. It is proposed next week to shoot at 700 and 900 yards for the long range cup. As 700 yards is one of the easiest ranges it is hoped that the men with big handicaps will come out in force.

Subjoined are the scores:—

	500 yards.	600 yards.	Net total.	Allowance.	Grand total.
Mr E. Robinson	31	32	63	0	63
Mr S. McLennan	28	17	45	18	63
Mr H. J. Holmes	29	20	49	10	59
Mr McNab	25	18	43	13	56
Mr F. Howell	16	26	42	10	52
Mr S. A. Ramjahn	20	18	38	14	52
Major Eyton, I.S.L.I.	24	23	47	4	51
Mr N. Gillies	24	20	44	6	50
Mr W. Duncan	16	7	23	14	37
Lt. Col. Jerrard			retired		

THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

A meeting of the Legislative Council was held this afternoon. H. E. Sir William Robinson, Governor, presided; and there were also present: Hon. G. T. M. O'Brien, C.M.G., Colonial Secretary; Hon. W. M. Goodman, Attorney General; Hon. J. H. Stewart-Lockhart, Registrar General; Hon. F. H. May, Acting Colonial Treasurer; Hon. F. A. Cooper, Director of Public Works; Hon. R. Murray Rumsey, Harbour Master; Hon. C. P. Chater, Hon. T. H. Whitehead, Hon. Ho Kai, Hon. E. R. Belilios and Mr A. M. Thomson, Acting Clerk of Councils. Absent: Hon. J. J. Keswick.

PAPERS LAID ON THE TABLE.

The Colonial Secretary laid on the table the Supreme Court returns for 1891, and the report of last meeting of the Finance Committee.

THE BOTANICAL AND AFFORESTATION DEPARTMENT.

The Colonial Secretary submitted a statement by the Superintendent of the Botanical and Afforestation Department showing that an expenditure of $3,400 would have to be incurred in connection with planting in 1894 for which contracts have to be entered into now. He stated that he had a resolution to submit on the subject which would not amount to a vote for this expenditure but which would be taken if passed as sufficient authority for the Superintendent of the Department to enter into the contracts. He believed there was no question as to the utility of this class of work both from the point of climatic influences and also in so far as it tended to diminish the risk of wash and scour on the hills. The Council had passed similar resolutions in previous years and he now begged to move—'That the Council, having considered the following statement by the Superintendent of the Botanical and Afforestation Department, resolves that it is expedient to incur the liability therein proposed to be incurred in 1894.' This, he added, was a smaller amount than had been resolved on for 1893, which was $4550.

The motion was agreed to.

QUESTION BY MR WHITEHEAD.

Mr Whitehead—Will the Government publish in the *Government Gazette* or lay on the table a List of the Wharves, public and private, in respect of which a sum of $180,000 was added by the Government to the cost of the Praya Reclamation, as appears from the Colonial Secretary's letter of the 19th February 1889, to the Honorable C. P. Chater, and state the amount of compensation assessed in respect of each?

The Colonial Secretary—I regret to say I cannot undertake to publish the statement asked for in the *Gazette* or to lay it on the table. The rules and orders preclude me from saying more in answer to the question, but if the hon. member will move at next meeting for the statement I shall have very great pleasure in giving him all the information it is in my power to give on the subject.

Mr Whitehead then gave notice that he would make a motion at next meeting in accordance with his question.

THE PRAYA RECLAMATION.

The Attorney General moved the first reading of a Bill entitled 'An Ordinance to provide for the ascertainment of the amounts to be paid by way of compensation in respect of the Wharves and Piers along the line of the Praya Reclamation, to fix the periods for the payment thereof and for other purposes in connection therewith.' He said he had not been able to prepare a statement of objects and reasons, but he thought it was not really necessary as the preamble of the bill fully explained these. As it was not likely there would be more than one other opportunity before the close of the session, however, he thought it would be convenient now to state briefly the provisions of the bill and the circumstances under which it was introduced. In the Praya Reclamation Bill a clause was inserted by way of amendment providing that the cost of the works should include a sum not exceeding $180,000 by way of compensation to owners and occupiers of wharves and piers along the line of the reclamation. The owners of these wharves and piers were under obligation to remove them on three months' notice, and it was practically admitted in the correspondence which took place on the subject that in the ordinary course of things they would have to submit to this removal in pursuance of the undertaking given when they were allowed to erect the piers and wharves. It seemed rather a hardship, however, that they should have to bear the entire cost of this inasmuch as the reclamation which necessitated it was chiefly for the benefit of the marine lot-owners, and it was suggested that in these circumstances the matter be referred to the Secretary of State, who was of opinion that part of the cost of the removal and re-erection of these wharves and piers should be borne by the marine lot-owners in proportion to the share they had in the reclamation. It was not contemplated to allow the wharf-owners full compensation nor consequential damages, but it was contemplated to pay half the actual cost of removal, the advantage of having them reconstructed in deeper water being considered sufficient compensation for the cost of erecting them. Difficulties had arisen however, with regard to the apportionment of the sum of $180,000 among the various wharf-owners, and that was the reason for the introduction of the present bill. One would have supposed that the owners would have agreed among themselves to appoint one or two competent surveyors who with the Director of Public Works would settle how the maximum amount of $180,000 should be divided. He as Acting Colonial Secretary suggested that some such course should be adopted, but he found the owners were not willing to do so, each apparently thinking his own pier had something special about it and that he would probably get better terms if he negotiated the matter himself. The scheme proposed was that as soon as the Ordinance was passed the Director of Public Works should cause the value of each wharf and pier to be assessed and prepare a schedule for publication in the *Gazette*. If the owners were not satisfied with the terms allowed—he thought it was very likely they would be satisfied—an appeal could be made as provided in the ordinance to the Supreme Court on its summary side, which would have power to settle what portion of the $180,000 was to be awarded in each case. Of course the total of $180,000 could not be exceeded. Another point dealt with in the bill was the time of payment. Compensation could not be paid to one wharf-owner until the amount of compensation in all the cases was settled.

Mr Chater, in seconding the motion, said he knew the very awkward position in which the Surveyor General had been placed in regard to this matter and that more than one application had been made to him for compensation for wharves having been, so to speak, put out of use on account of the reclamation being carried out, and, as the Surveyor General had explained to him, it was a very difficult matter for him to arrange how this compensation should be made, and without a bill such as the one now before them it would be impossible to arrive at any fair and just conclusion.

The bill passed the first reading.

THE MERCHANT SHIPPING BILL.

The Attorney General moved the second reading of the Bill entitled 'An Ordinance to amend 'The Merchant Shipping Consolidation Ordinance, 1891.' In explaining the purpose of the ordinance he said that in the first place it exempted steam launches under sixty tons from the operation of the Merchant Shipping Consolidation Ordinance, with regard to reporting, clearing permits, night clearances, giving notice of departure &c. on occasions when they are being used solely for the purposes of pleasure. In the next place it substituted in the case of steamships under 60 tons not licenced to ply for hire a yearly survey of the boilers only for the yearly survey of hull and machinery required by the Ordinance. It also reduced the maximum penalty for non-compliance with the Ordinance from a fine of $500 to one of $250. It further provided that other persons than the Government Marine Surveyor and his assistant might make the required surveys, that was to say competent surveyors approved of by the Governor. It provided that the fees hitherto paid to the Marine Surveyor and Assistant Surveyor for conducting examinations of applicants for certain certificates of competency should be retained in the Treasury, and exempted applicants for cargo boat licences from the necessity of furnishing the Registrar General with a photograph except in cases where it is deemed necessary.

The bill passed the second reading and the Council then went into committee.

Various minor alterations in the ordinance were agreed to on the motion of Mr Whitehead. With reference to subsection 'A' of section 2 (which deals with notice of departure etc.) the hon. member said he was desired by the Chamber of Commerce to move the addition of the following words:—'or when said steamship is not carrying cargo for the owner thereof or not plying for hire.' He said the shipping interest appreciated the concession which had been made by the Governor, but they thought this further concession would meet cases where hardship might be entailed.

The Colonial Secretary said the amendment suggested had been discussed about half an hour previously in presence of His Excellency by an informal committee consisting of the hon. member who moved the amendment, the hon. member who seconded, the Harbour Master, and himself. It was submitted that there were decided objections to adopting the amendment, one objection amongst others being that if the amendment were adopted it would follow that all steamships under sixty tons would be exempt from the present requirements of the 14th subsection, which forbids any steamship of less than sixty tons leaving the waters of the colony between 6 p.m. and 6 a.m. unless a special permit is obtained. The effect of the amendment would be to allow all steam launches under sixty tons irrespective of their class—that was to say whether licensed to ply for hire or not—to leave the waters of the colony at any hour of the night without any notice to the Harbour Master and without having taken out any permit in that behalf, and it was felt, and he thought admitted by the hon. member himself, that the adoption of such an amendment might very reasonably be objected to by the Imperial Chinese Customs authorities and that the result of adopting it would be that these authorities would have to take steps in protection of the Chinese customs to watch the waters of the colony to a greater extent than they now feel it necessary to do, although the extent to which they did feel it necessary had been made the source of frequent complaint. There were other objections, but he thought this one was conclusive and he submitted that for this reason as well as for some other minor reasons the amendment should not be adopted.

Mr Whitehead said he would not press his amendment as the result was a foregone conclusion.

Among the other amendments made on the motion of Mr Whitehead was the deletion of the clause making fees chargeable for buoys and moorings used solely for warping.

Some discussion took place with reference to the judicial functions of the Harbour Master.

Mr Whitehead moved that the Harbour Master should not be included with the Police Magistrates as competent to preside over naval courts and inquiries. He referred to the reasons contained in the letter addressed to the Government by the Chamber of Commerce and to the miscarriage of justice in the *Torrington* case.

The Attorney General said the point was thoroughly considered and discussed previously, and he saw no reason for excluding the Marine Magistrate, who in the great majority of cases was the fittest person to preside and who in special cases might be replaced by a Police Magistrate.

The Harbour Master said there seemed to be a misunderstanding on the part of the Chamber of Commerce and Mr Whitehead as to what was a Marine Court and what was a Marine Magistrate's Court. The former was a Court in which practical questions had to be dealt with which could be best dealt with by a sailor. The *Torrington* case, he remarked, was tried in the Marine Magistrate's Court.

The amendment, which was seconded by Mr Chater, was lost, all the officials voting against it.

The bill passed through committee.

DIOCESAN SCHOOL AND ORPHANAGE.

Mr Chater moved the second reading of the Bill entitled 'An Ordinance for the Incorporation of the Chairman of the Committee of the Diocesan School and Orphanage.' He explained that the former trustees having long since left the Colony, the Committee as at present constituted had no legal status and the grant-in-aid which had been voted the institution could not be paid over to it. It was to remove this legal disability that the Bill was introduced.

In Committee the name of Bishop Burdon was omitted and the words 'Chairman for the time being' were substituted.

The Bill will be read a third time at next meeting.

ST. JOHN'S CATHEDRAL CHURCH.

The Council in Committee recommended the Bill relating to the handing over of St. John's Cathedral Church to the Church Body.

The Attorney General spoke at length on clause 8, which provides that the control of the rites and ritual of the Church shall be vested in the Bishop residing and officiating in the Colony, and quoted from numerous official documents showing the present standing of Bishop Burdon in Hongkong. Having before him the views expressed in these documents and the divided opinion in the community he did not see his way to alter this clause which had been approved of by the Church Body, three of whom were now absent and unable to give the Council any assistance in the matter.

Mr Chater, in moving his amendment that the control should be vested in the Church Body, again reminded members that the Bishop and Chaplain were to be members of that Body and would have considerable influence there as to the rites and ritual. He was given to understand that two out of the three members of the Church Body still in the Colony were for giving the power to the Church Body. He asked why the Bishop, who was not Bishop of Hongkong but a Missionary Bishop whose real district was Ningpo and not Hongkong, should be placed at the head of the Church Body.

Mr Whitehead seconded, and, quoting Bishop Burdon's remarks at the meeting of 29th April last, as reported in the *China Mail*, with regard to the painful position which might arise by a dispute between the Bishop and the Chaplain as to rites and ritual, held that these remarks were sufficient reason for framing the Ordinance so that the possible continuance of such a 'painful position' might be rendered impossible.

The Colonial Secretary said he was informed two out of the three members remaining in the Colony were in favour of the control being given to the Bishop, the only objector being Mr Mackintosh; while it must be assumed that the absent members were in favour of the clause since they agreed to it when the Bill was submitted to them.

Dr Ho Kai did not see why this particular clause should occupy so much of the attention of the Council, and he thought a solution for the difficulty would be found by leaving out the clause altogether. Let them simply hand the Church over and allow the members to appoint their own preacher, have any form of divine worship they liked, and pay for those who conducted that form of worship for them. He moved accordingly.

Mr Chater and Mr Whitehead withdrew their amendment in favour of Dr Ho Kai's.

The Attorney General admitted the proposal had the charm of simplicity, but pointed out that the money subscribed for the Church was given to provide divine worship according to the rites of the Church of England.

The Registrar General supported the amendment as a good one. Its simplicity had more than charm; it seemed to be the only solution of the difficulty.

The Acting Colonial Treasurer pointed out that the Bishop would not give his services if the clause were left out.

The Harbour Master said that the proposal to strike out the clause looked as if the Council could not make up their minds on the matter. So long as they had a Church of England they ought to be guided by Church of England principles.

The following vote was taken:—In favour of the Clause—Mr Belilios, Harbour Master, Director of Public Works, Acting Colonial Treasurer, Attorney General, and Colonial Secretary (5). For the deletion of the clause—Mr Whitehead, Dr Ho Kai, Mr Chater, and Registrar General (4.)

MISCELLANEOUS.

On the motion of the Attorney General the Council agreed to the third reading of Bills entitled 'an Ordinance to amend Ordinance No. 4 of 1865 relating to offences against the person,' and 'An Ordinance to repeal Ordinance No. 19 of 1890 and to amend "The Dangerous Goods Ordinance, 1873."'

His Excellency said that the Council would adjourn till Monday, 23rd inst., when the session would probably close, if he had an assurance from the senior unofficial member that there would be no difficulty of agreeing to the third reading of the Praya Reclamation Bill.

Mr Chater said he had heard of no objection from the public, and if there were any he would take good care to inform the Attorney General in time so that they might meet again on the following Monday.

FINANCE COMMITTEE.

Thereafter a meeting of the Finance Committee was held—the Colonial Secretary presiding.

The following minutes were passed after some discussion:—

The Governor recommends the Council to vote a sum of Two thousand Dollars, ($2,000), for 'Drawback and refund of Revenue.'

It has been the practice hitherto to pay refunds from the collections under the respective heads of receipt. As this practice is contrary to regulation and is about to be discontinued a vote is required to cover such payments.

The Governor recommends the Council to vote a sum of One thousand Nine hundred and Eighty-one Dollars ($1,981), for repairs to Health Officer's Steam launch *Blanche*, viz.:—

For general overhaul and repairs...	$801.00
For providing a launch while the repairs are being executed.....	70.00
To caulk and re-copper her all over.....	500.00
New water tanks, repair to propeller blades, boiler, &c.....	520.00
	$1,981.00

CORRESPONDENCE.

THE PO LEUNG KUK.

To the Editor of the 'CHINA MAIL.'

Hongkong, May 16th, 1892.

Sir,—For the information of the public will you be so good enough as to publish the encl sed correspondence.—I am, your obedient servant,

T. H. WHITEHEAD.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Hongkong, April 28th, 1892.

Sir,—I am directed to inform you that His Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint you to be a member of a special committee consisting of the Honorable Acting Colonial Treasurer, Hon. C. P. Chater, Hon. Ho Kai and yourself, with the Hon. Registrar General as Chairman, for the purpose of investigating and reporting on certain points in connection with the bill for the incorporation of the Po Leung Kuk presently before the Legislative Council.

I have the honor to be, Sir, your most obedient servant,

(Signed) G. T. M. O'BRIEN,
Colonial Secretary

Honorable T. H. Whitehead.

Hongkong, 29th April, 1892.

The Honorable G. T. M. O'Brien, C.M.G.,
Colonial Secretary,

Sir,—I have the honor to acknowledge receipt to-day of your letter dated yesterday.

Will you permit me to point out for the consideration of His Excellency the Governor that a commission presided over by the Honorable the Registrar General will not be considered satisfactory by the public.

Mr Stewart Lockhart is officially the mouthpiece and representative of the Po Leung Kuk, and the mover as well as the strong advocate of the proposed Bill. On his report and recommendation the new Ordinance was brought forward.

Furthermore one of the points to be enquired into by the commission, as per your letter to the Registrar General No. 736 of yesterday, para 4, is to ascertain whether any portion of the monies ($30,000) subscribed in support of the Po Leung Kuk Society, has not been absolutely and entirely subscribed voluntarily.

The Registrar General being personally concerned in this matter, it having been suggested that his official influence was brought to bear on certain subscribers, it is surely not advisable that he should be asked to preside over the Commission.

Under those circumstances I would suggest that the Honorable Colonial Secretary, or the Acting Chief Justice be appointed Chairman of the Commission.

I have shewn this letter to the Honorable Mr C. P. Chater, and I am authorised to say he concurs herein.

I have the honor to be, Sir, your most obedient servant,

(Signed) T. H. WHITEHEAD.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Hongkong, 3rd May, 1892.

Sir,—Your letter of 29th ultimo suggesting that the appointment of the Registrar General as Chairman of the Committee appointed to enquire into and report on certain questions connected with the Bill before the Council for the incorporation of the Po Leung Kuk be cancelled, and another Chairman appointed in his stead, has been laid by me before the Governor.

2. His Excellency has read your letter with some surprise, and he directs me to acquaint you in reply that he is unable to adopt your suggestion.

3. The Registrar General is of all persons in the Colony the one who is the most interested in securing a free, full and impartial enquiry into the allegations that have been made against the Po Leung Kuk. He is also the one who from his official experience is the most capable of assisting and directing such an enquiry; and for these and other reasons he is obviously marked out as the most suitable person for appointment as Chairman of the enquiry.

4. The Governor is unwilling to believe that the proceedings of a Committee consisting of the gentlemen who have been appointed to serve on it, and presided over by the Registrar General, will fail to command the confidence of the local public; but even if this should unfortunately prove to be the case, His Excellency would still feel it to be his duty to take other considerations also into account, and in view of these considerations would not see fit to alter the constitution of the Committee which has been appointed after due deliberation.

5. As regards the suggestion thrown out in the fifth paragraph of your letter, His Excellency desires to say nothing beyond expressing his regret that you should have allowed yourself to give currency to it, and adding that he is sure that on further reflection you will yourself share his regret.

I have the honor to be, Sir, your most obedient servant,

(Signed) G. T. M. O'BRIEN,
Colonial Secretary.

Hongkong, 7th May, 1892.

The Honorable G. T. M. O'Brien, C.M.G.,
Colonial Secretary.

Sir,—I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your letter No. 672 of the 3rd instant, in which you inform me that His Excellency has read with some surprise my letter of the 24th April last, suggesting the removal of the Registrar General from the post of Chairman of the Committee appointed to consider and report on the Bill for the incorporation of the Po Leung Kuk, and that His Excellency is unable to adopt that suggestion for the reasons stated in your letter. These reasons are that the Registrar General is the person most interested in securing a full, fair, and impartial enquiry into the charges against the Po Leung Kuk, and at the same time the person whose official experience renders him the most capable of assisting and directing such an enquiry. You also hint at the existence of other reasons which prevent His Excellency from altering the constitution of the Committee, even if he were satisfied that as at present constituted it would fail to command the confidence of the public.

In the last para. of your letter you express His Excellency's regret, and his expectation that I will on reflection share in that regret, that I should have permitted myself to suggest as a reason for the Registrar General's removal from the Chairmanship of the Committee, that he is charged with having used his official influence to obtain subscriptions for the Po Leung Kuk.

To deal with this last question first, as perhaps the most important of the points raised by your reply, I have the honor to state for the information of His Excellency that after reflection, and after consultation with those best competent to advise me, I see no reason to regret that I pointedly called attention to what, in the absence of explanation or contradiction, I have reasonable grounds for believing to be true. I have been myself informed by more than one well-to-do Chinaman in this Colony that he would not have subscribed to the fund recently got up for the Po Leung Kuk, but for the persuasion of the Registrar General. I find this statement confirmed by the Committee of the Po Leung Kuk in their petition to the Registrar General, enclosed in his Report of the 1st February last. The Petitioners there say, in para. 7, speaking of the subscription of $30,000—that it was owing to the Registrar General's assistance that it was subscribed with so much good will. The Chinese who gave me the information above referred to (privately and in confidence) refused me permission to give their names.

Will you be so good as to explain to His Excellency that in repeating the statements made me and putting them forward as a matter for enquiry I do not for a moment impute to the Registrar General any unworthy or improper motive. I know him to be animated by the highest and best motives. Neither do I suggest that he used any influence whatever, that, if he had been dealing with Europeans, could have been designated as in the slightest degree improper, or as implying pressure. But I do entertain the opinion, and many others in the Community agree with me, that any attempt at persuasion by a Government official, and especially by the Registrar General, does in fact put pressure on the Chinese, even the best of them, and that it ought not to have been used especially in this case, and that if it has been used in any form—if any Chinaman has, because of the interposition in any form of the Registrar General, subscribed to the Po Leung Kuk who would not have done so, or who refused to do, on the application of his fellow-countrymen, it deprives the subscription of the element of spontaneity of which so much is being made. It is a curious additional fact, if true, that the Petition states that the subscription was got up by the Po Leung Kuk only after they had been repeatedly urged by the Registrar General to do so. I am very decidedly of opinion that this seventh para. of the Petition of the Po Leung Kuk needs explanation, and that if the statements in it are correct their application for incorporation and for a money grant wears a very different aspect from that put before the Council.

Was it held out to the Directors of the Po Leung Kuk that if they raised so much money, they would get a Government grant, or were they told that it was useless to ask for one until they had shown a greater interest in the cause by raising a subscription?

If it is shown to the satisfaction of the Committee of Council, and of the public that the action of the Chinese has been purely voluntary, and that they have not been urged on and assisted by the Registrar General, no one will rejoice more than I shall, but again I must say that I do not think the Registrar General should preside as Chairman over the Committee of Enquiry. His official position and experience undoubtedly render him most capable of assisting and directing such an enquiry, but the fact that he is the person *most interested* in securing a free, full and impartial enquiry is the strongest possible argument against his presiding over the Committee entrusted with that duty. That he should be a Member of the Committee, yes; the advocate on the Committee of the Po Leung Kuk, yes. He is the person who advised and urged the Po Leung Kuk to move in the matter, who helps them to get together their fund, who receives, forwards, and recommends with all his power their petition, who frames the Bill, and proposes it in Council. He is necessarily committed to certain views and opinions. It is not in human nature that he should be biassed in favor of them. How can he act as Chairman of the Committee, direct a possibly hostile enquiry, question witnesses, resolve questions of procedure, hold the balance between contending opinions, determine by his vote as between two members opposed to the Bill, and two members for it, how any disputed question is to be determined. I give the Honourable the Registrar General every credit. I have the strongest belief in his honor and honesty, but it is not a position in which he or any other man should be placed.

I again ask His Excellency to reconsider the matter. I understand that it is difficult, the appointment having been made public, to alter the arrangement, but the difficulty is not insurmountable. If a Commission instead of a Committee of the Council were now appointed to consider and report on the whole question of the existence of the Po Leung Kuk, there could arise no sound objection to its being otherwise constituted.

I have the honor to be, Sir, your most obedient servant,

(Signed) T. H. WHITEHEAD.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Hongkong, 10th May, 1892.

Sir,—I am directed by the Governor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of 7th instant in which you disclaim all intention of imputing any impropriety of conduct to the Registrar General, but reiterate your opinion that that officer ought not to preside over the Committee that has been appointed to enquire into certain allegations that have been made against the Po Leung Kuk Society.

2. In the fifth paragraph of your letter of 29th ultimo you stated that the Registrar General was personally interested in the matter—i.e. in the subject matter which had been referred to the Committee for enquiry and report—'it having been suggested that his official influence was brought to bear on certain subscribers.' As you proceeded to urge this as a reason for cancelling his appointment as Chairman of the Committee, it was naturally, I might almost say necessarily assumed that you intended to imply that the Registrar General had made some improper use of his official position, and that an enquiry into this impropriety on his part would fall within the scope of the Committee. His Excellency has great pleasure in accepting your disclaimer of any such intention.

3. The matter then stands as follows:—Certain allegations have been made against the Po Leung Kuk Society, and they have been referred to a Committee for enquiry and report. Those allegations, or some of them, are of such a nature that, if they are proved, they may materially influence the views of the Government in regard to the Bill now before the Legislative Council for the incorporation of the Society. The 'suggestion' above mentioned is not one of those allegations, and it has not been referred to the Committee. Further, the 'suggestion' as now explained in your letter under acknowledgment, does not appear to His Excellency to have any bearing on the question whether the Bill before the Council should or should not be passed. Assuming, as is highly probable, though I have no direct information on the point, that the Registrar General has long been of opinion that for various reasons it was desirable that funds should be subscribed for the purposes of the Society, and that he has expressed his opinion to others, that would not in His Excellency's opinion afford any reason why the Bill should not be passed.

4. You admit that the Registrar General is very competent to usefully assist in the enquiry, but you question his competency to direct it impartially, inasmuch as apart from the suggestion referred to above he is an 'interested' party. In this you are under a misapprehension, and you clearly have misapprehended the bearing of the remark in the 3rd paragraph of my letter of 3rd instant that the Registrar General is of all persons in the Colony the one who is the most interested in securing a free, full and impartial enquiry into the allegations which have been made against the Society. His interest in the Society is notorious, he must of course be aware that the allegations against it point to the existence of abuses which must be most prejudicial to its usefulness and for which, if they exist, a remedy is imperatively required for the sake of the Society itself; and in proportion to his interest in its welfare must be his anxiety that the enquiry shall be so conducted as to place its freeness, fullness, and impartiality beyond any room for doubt or cavil.

5. Under these circumstances His Excellency is unable to adopt your suggestion that the appointment of the Registrar General as Chairman of the Committee should be cancelled, or that a Commission with some one else as President should be substituted for the Committee which has been appointed.

I have the honour to be, Sir, your most obedient servant,

G. T. M. O'BRIEN,
Colonial Secretary.

The Honorable T. H. Whitehead, &c., &c., &c.

Hongkong, 13th May, 1892.

The Honorable G. T. M. O'Brien, C.M.G.,
Colonial Secretary.

Sir,—I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your letter No. 824 of the 10th instant, which came to my hand rather late on the 11th. I note that His Excellency is unable to adopt my suggestion for the removal of the Honorable the Registrar General from the Chairmanship of the Committee appointed to enquire into and report on the Bill now before the Council for the Incorporation of the Po Leung Kuk. I have therefore nothing further to urge on the point. I can only express my great regret that I have troubled His Excellency to so little purpose.

I note further from your letter that it is not now an instruction to the Committee to enquire as to the truth or otherwise of the suggestion that the official influence of the Registrar General was brought to bear on certain subscribers to the subscription in aid of the Po Leung Kuk, and that even if it were true that such influence had been brought to bear it would not afford any reason in His Excellency's opinion for rejecting the Bill.

I desire to remind you that in the Legislative Council on 25th ultimo, His Excellency the Governor, when referring to certain charges which had been preferred against the operations of the Po Leung Kuk Society, specially mentioned the one in question, and is reported to have said: 'Another is that the $30,000, which is mentioned by the Registrar General as the amount of the subscription gathered in aid of the Society—of that amount a certain portion has been obtained by means which could hardly be called justifiable. I think as such very grave charges are hanging over this society, a society which has done a very good work, it would be the wish of the members themselves that the matter should be thoroughly enquired into. If these statements are proved it will be a very serious matter, and if they are disproved the hands of the Government and the hands of the Po Leung Kuk society will, I think, be immensely strengthened.'

His Excellency is further reported to have then said, 'I therefore propose, if the Council does not see any objection, that we defer consideration of this Bill in the meantime, and under the standing orders, that it be referred at this stage to a special commission—consisting of the Registrar General, Dr Ho Kai, Mr Chater, Mr Whitehead, and the Acting Colonial Treasurer—for consideration and report.'

In the instructions circulated to the Committee in your letter to the Registrar General dated 28th ultimo, this point was included, and I hope that it will not now be withdrawn.

Without wishing to enter into any controversy on the point will you permit me to again state that it still seems to me to be a proper question for the Committee to enquire into.

The Po Leung Kuk are asking for a grant, a large grant of public money, on the ground that they have raised a still larger sum by public voluntary subscription from the Chinese Community for the purposes of the Society, that the amount raised is insufficient for the needs of the work, and that this voluntary effort on their part ought to be met by a corresponding liberality on the part of the Government. The suggestion is that this has not been altogether a voluntary subscription got up by the Chinese among the Chinese for a purely charitable purpose, and which ought to be met in the same spirit by the Government and by the general public, but is in part at least an officially suggested subscription, got up with a view to the present application. Surely it is a question for the Committee whether there is any truth in the suggestion, and equally if there is, it will afford a good reason for refusing the Bill, or will help towards that end.

The preamble to the Bill and all the statements in it are, I conceive, the proper subject of the enquiry.

I have the honor to be, Sir, your most obedient servant,

(Signed) T. H. WHITEHEAD.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Hongkong, 14th May, 1892.

Sir,—I am directed by the Governor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of 13th instant and to acquaint you in reply that His Excellency has nothing to add to the observations contained in my letter of 10th instant beyond stating that he cannot see any incompatibility between those observations and your quotations from his address to the Legislative Council, and that the instructions, to which you refer, to the Committee of enquiry, have not been altered.

I have the honor to be, Sir, your most obedient servant,

(Signed) G. T. M. O'BRIEN,
Colonial Secretary.

SUPREME COURT.

IN SUMMARY JURISDICTION.

(*Before Mr Justice Fielding Clarke, Acting Chief Justice.*)

Monday, May 16.

CHOY CHU *v.* NG KAM CHUNG AND FUNG YUN SAI.

Mr Wilkinson, who appeared for the plaintiff, stated this was a claim for $792.93 due from the defendants on their bond. The signatures by which the bond was executed were admitted. The bond, which was dated 29th July, 1891, was given to secure the payment of $939.93 for which his client had obtained judgment against Gordon and Co. Execution was stayed for three weeks, provided security was found for the judgment and costs, therefore this bond was executed by the defendants, the bond having been settled by the defendants' solicitor. A sum of $234.98 had been paid, not by the defendants but by the original debtors, Gordon and Co., and that left $792.93 including interest still due.

Mr Phillippo, who appeared for the defence, instructed by Mr H. J. Holmes, admitted the facts as stated by Mr Wilkinson. The defence was purely a legal one and the sureties said they were discharged by the act of the plaintiff in accepting a composition of 25 per cent. from the liquidator of Gordon and Co., a step which was taken without consulting the sureties.

Alexander G. Gordon, liquidator of Gordon and Co., gave evidence to having paid 25 per cent of the plaintiff's claim for which judgment had been given against the Company. He handed in a receipt from the plaintiff, and stated that the payment was made as a part of the composition to the creditors of the Company.

Mr Phillippo maintained that as the plaintiff had gone behind the back of the sureties in receiving this money from the principal, they were discharged.

His Lordship held that the sum of $234.98 simply went to reduce the debt without interfering with the responsibility of the defendants, and accordingly gave judgment with costs in favour of the plaintiff.

LATE TELEGRAMS.

(*From the* 'Rangoon Gazette.')

THE SILVER MARKET.

London, April 23.—The silver market is firm in consequence of the rumour that an Indian sterling loan is imminent.

THE ITALIAN MINISTRY.

Rome, April 22.—Signor Luzzati will as a temporary measure take over the office of the Minister of Finance.

THE RAJA OF SIKKIM.

Calcutta, April 22.—The news of the flight of the Raja of Sikkim is confirmed. He gave out that he was going on a pilgrimage.

THE HIMALAYA BANK.

Allahabad, April 23.—In further examination Mr Moss, the Manager of the Himalaya Bank, stated that the balance sheets did not disclose the true position of the Bank and were not drawn up in accordance with the form prescribed by the Indian Companies Act.

It was also said the Bank held insurance policies for nine lakhs of rupees, but that the surrender value of these policies was only Rs. 77,000, though they cost the Bank Rs. 45,000 yearly in premiums.

POLO PLAYING.

Allahabad, April 23.—Various rumours have been afloat as to the action likely to be taken by the Commander-in-Chief in the matter of polo-playing. The *Pioneer* understands before any orders are issued the opinions of commanding officers and experts in the game are likely to be asked for.

A MILITARY OFFICER DISGRACED.

Simla, April 23.—A general order by the Commander-in-Chief directs that the name of 2nd Lieutenant Gay be struck off the returns of the 7th Dragoon Guards, for committing (1) a civil offence, namely, forgery, and (2) a civil offence by knowingly uttering a forged document.

THE ANTI-FOREIGN PROPAGANDA IN SZECHUAN.

(V.-*C. Daily News* correspondent.)

Chungking, April 23.

Rather startling news has come to us from a friend who has been travelling in the region of the famous salt wells in the centre of the province. He writes that 80 li from the wells he met a gang of not less than ten men selling anti-foreign books and preaching a crusade against foreign things. They claimed to be under the Viceroy's protection and said their home was at Tzeeheo, a large city between the wells and Chêntu. Our correspondent says, 'They did a good trade and abused foreigners roundly. The reports are spreading and may bring us trouble at any time.' Strange that when the stream of filth has been partially checked at Changsha it should threaten to inundate us in this province. We regret that our correspondent did not inform us more particularly of the contents of the books being sold, but trust he will do so, later on. Where in all China has there been an organised attempt of this sort before? If it is not put a stop to it can hardly fail to mean trouble to us, who live in this region, *minus* the gunboat episodes.

That Viceroy Liu should be claimed as protector of this movement is significant and goes to confirm the common view which credits him with being strongly anti-foreign. Two or three years ago some missionaries were driven out of T'ungch'uan, the magistrate claiming that he was acting under instructions from the Viceroy. The story has been repeated at two or three smaller places since, though the Viceroy's name has not been mentioned, and now at Shunching there is a case more serious still. Missionaries rented a house, and after a short occupancy were ordered to leave. Refusing to do so, there was an attempt to boycott them, people being threatened with punishment if they sold them either food or water, and this not proving sufficient, the tiles were taken off from over their heads. At last reports they were camping out under the open sky and were threatened with severer measures if they did not leave. Whether British pluck will win in this contest with official virulence remains to be seen. In none of the above cases has there been reported any opposition on the part of the people, the opposition being solely from the officials seconded by the *literati*. Perhaps this recent crusade is intended to supply the element lacking. It looks as though they had deliberately set themselves to stem the tide of foreign invasion. The claim is that foreigners have no treaty right to live in these places. But whatever opinion may be held on this point there is rapidly accumulating precedent in its favour. Missionaries are coming in such large numbers in interior places that this whole question will soon have to be reviewed and settled on some more definite basis. Rumour has it that the Viceroy is to be changed, and that the Taotai at Shanghai has been appointed Provincial Treasurer.

April 28.

We wrote a few days ago that the tiles had been taken off over the heads of the missionaries at Shunching Fu, with threats of extremer measures if they did not leave the place. We now learn that the threat had been fulfilled. First an attempt was made to stir up the people with placards. Reference was made to the Ichang riot, which was said to have been provoked by the kidnapping of children, and the missionaries at Shunching Fu were accused of the same nefarious practice. Reference was made to an alleged case in which a child had been given some stupefying medicine which induced it to follow away a foreigner who was passing through Shunching selling books. Fortunately the child was seen by a relative and called back before it had gone far from the place. But this musty story failing in its purpose, a few military students entered the place and seized the missionaries and carried them outside the city, where they were ordered to go. We understand that a boat had been provided for them, a thoughtful attention which one would hardly expect under the circumstances. The letters to Chungking were written from the boat. The writer speaks of being quite sore, but whether in body or mind, we do not know.

It was charged by some last year that the officials generally were not only cognisant of, but implicated in, the riots in the Yangtse valley. Would it not be curious to find a corroboration so far away as this? The Viceroy is almost certainly inspiring the whole movement, the local officials and gentry willingly seconding him. The common people have had nothing to do with the matter from beginning to end. Apparently such vulgar, bungling projects as burning houses, destroying property, and murdering missionaries are to be discarded in the future, and a stand will be made on the question of permission by treaty. The missionaries in the province have regarded this as a test case, and we should be glad to see it so regarded at Peking and at home. The case has been reported to the English Consul here and we hope its importance will be perceived by his superiors. If missionaries are no longer to be permitted to reside out of treaty ports, then the missionary societies will need to restrict their operations considerably. In such case no small pressure would be brought to bear upon the various governments for a revision of the present treaties.

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HONGKONG, May 16.

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On demand, ...	3.58
Credits, 4 months' sight, ...	3.66
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HONGKONG REGISTER.

	Previous day at 4 p.m.	On date at 10 a.m.	On date at 4 p.m.
Barometer ...	29.78	29.90	29.84
Temperature	76	71	71
Humidity ...	82	85	86
Direction of Wind ...	E	S	S
Force	2	0	5
Weather	c	cd	cd
Rain	—	0.02	—

Highest open air temperature on the 15th ... 78
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Hongkong, May 16, 1892.

THE *FUSHUN-PEKING* COLLISION.

The *N.-C. Daily News* of the 9th inst. gives the following account of the collision between the *Fushun* and the *Peking*:—

A collision occurred on the Lower Yangtze on Friday between 4.30 and 5 p.m., between Messrs. Siemssen & Co.'s steamer *Peking* Capt. Schultz, and the C. M. S. N. Co.'s steamer *Fushun*, Captain Cröad. The former vessel was bound from Wuhu to Canton with rice and pulse, having left Woosung at 10 a.m. on Friday. The same afternoon, while proceeding to sea, the weather got foggy, and Captain Schultz considered it advisable to anchor till the fog lifted, so he turned back and anchored in nine fathoms, some two and half miles off Elliot Island. While she was at anchor with fires banked, the short blasts of a fog-horn or whistle were heard a long way off, and the bell of the *Peking* was rung. The wind was blowing from the direction of the sound, and shortly afterwards the high bow of a steamer, which was instantly recognised as the *Fushun*, was seen coming up through the fog. Captain Schultz called out as loud as he could to the approaching steamer to starboard, but a collision occurred, the *Fushun* ramming the *Peking* on the starboard side, striking her on the bulkhead dividing the starboard bunker from the main hold, and crashing through her side and decks for a distance of between 5 and 6 feet. Captain Schultz being convinced that there was no hope for the *Peking*, sent for everybody on board, some fifty people, to go to the side where the two vessels were locked together, and made them climb up the bows of the *Fushun*. The *Peking* rapidly filled, and before he left the vessel, the water was pouring in over the port bulwarks. Captain Schultz was the last to get on board the *Fushun*, Captain Croad having kept his steamer's bows in the hole in the *Peking's* side all the time. Capt. Croad then backed out and the *Peking* sank, bow first, in nine fathoms, the funnel being just awash, but during the night the strong tide carried away the funnel. No one saved anything and some 200 sheep on the deck were drowned, as was also the captain's dog. From the time of the collision to the time the *Peking* sank was about seven minutes. When the people on board the *Fushun* saw the *Peking*, the order was given to reverse the engines, but she was so close that there was not sufficient time to stop her way.

Three-quarters of an hour before the collision, the weather was fine and clear, and the *Pechili*, bound in from Foochow, saw the *Fushun* ahead of her, but the fog set in from Video and she lost sight of her. The *Pechili* passed Bonham at 4.35 p.m. and afterwards saw the *Peking* sink. She anchored to render assistance, and picked up two of the *Peking's* life-buoys, and saw a chest of drawers and some wreckage floating about.

After the *Peking* sank the *Fushun* anchored, and the two officers of the *Peking* hung a lamp on her foremast as a warning to vessels approaching. They could not get back to the *Fushun* till that steamer got up her anchor and went to their assistance. On Saturday morning, attempts were made to engage a junk to stand by the wreck, and exhibit a lamp at night till the Coast Inspector could be communicated with, but they could not find junk people willing to undertake the job. A couple of balls were constructed and hung on the fore stay. Bonham bears from the wreck S. 65 E. magnetic 7¼ miles distant, and the wreck is in the track of vessels.

The damage done to the *Fushun*, which arrived here on Saturday night, is not excessive, and the repairs will not probably cost more than Tls. 3,000. The stem is bent and perhaps cracked, but this cannot be ascertained till there has been a more detailed examination. On the port side there are two holes and five plates above the water line are either broken or bent, three of them being broken. On the starboard side, two of the upper plates on the load line are ripped apart for some feet, while the other plates down to the water and below it are bent, and the frames inside are either bent or broken, all the damage being forward of the collision bulkhead. She has gone into Tungkadoo Dock.

The *Peking* was an iron screw steamer of 954 tons net, and 1,476 gross. She was built at Newcastle in 1881 and came out to Shanghai the same year. She made 115 trips under the English flag and 76 under the German. The vessel was insured in home offices and the cargo locally.

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8. From Blue Buildings to East Point.
9. From Kellett's Island to North Point.
10. Kowloon Wharves.
11. Jardine's Wharf.

Vessel's Name.	*Anchorage.*	*Captain.*	*Flag and Rig.*	*Tons.*	*Date of Arrival.*	*Consignees or Agents.*	*Destination.*	*Remarks.*
Steamers.								
Activ	3 h	Hygom	Dan. str.	355	May 15	A. R. Marty	Haiphong	
Ardgay	4 c	Thom	Brit. str.	1076	May 16	Jardine, Matheson & Co.		
Ask	5 c	Revsbech	Danish str.	682	May 16	A. R. Marty		
Bengloe	3 c	Farquhar	Brit. str.	1158	May 13	Gibb, Livingston & Co.		
Borneo	8 c	Klein	Dutch str.	1560	May 13	Jardine, Matheson & Co.		
Cattorthun	5 c	Shannon	Brit. str.	1659	May 9	Gibb, Livingston & Co.	Kobe	To-morrow
Chow Fa	3 c	Phillips	Brit. str.	1057	May 13	Yuen Fat Hong		
Continental	4 c	Schall	Dutch str.	671	May 15	Butterfield & Swire		
Decima	3 c	Christensen	Ger. str.	945	May 11	Siemssen & Co.		
Gaelic	...	Pearne	Brit. str.	4205	May 10	O. & O. S. S. Co.	San Francisco	Cos'tan Dock
Hailoong	5 h	Hall	Brit. str.	783	May 15	Douglas Steamship Co.	Coast Ports	To-morrow
Haiphong	5 c	Gollatti	Fch. str.	874	May 16	Messageries Maritimes	Haiphong	
Hangchow	3 h	Arthur	Brit. str.	999	May 16	Butterfield & Swire		
Hain-sheng	3 h	Buchanan	Chi. str.	855	May 16	C. M. S. N. Co.		
Independent	5 c	Schall	Ger. str.	1125	May 7	Wieler & Co.	Singapore	To-morrow
Ingraban	3 h	Piper	Ger. str.	899	April 27	Wieler & Co.		
Japan	5 c	Hamilton	Brit. str.	1365	May 16	David Sassoon, Sons & Co.		
Loo Sok	1 c	Benson	Brit. str.	1020	May 13	Yuen Fat Hong		
Lycemoon	3 h	Heuermann	Ger. str.	1238	May 16	Siemssen & Co.		
Malacca	5 c	Cass	Brit. str.	2615	May 15	P. & O. S. N. Co.	London, &c.	
Miike Maru	5 c	Macmillan	Japan. str.	20 3	May 13	Geo. R. Stevens & Co.	Yokohama	
Pembrokeshire	3 c	Ellicott	Brit. str.	1716	May 13	Dodwell, Carlill & Co.		
Phra Nang	3 h	Watton	Brit. str.	1021	May 15	Butterfield & Swire		
Pilot Flat		Scouani	Brit. tug.	161	.....	H. K. & W. Dock Co.		
Polyhymnia	5 c	Voltmer	Ger. str.	2000	May 16	Siemssen & Co.	Hamburg	18th inst.
Polyphemus	5 c	Lee	Brit. str.	1913	May 14	Butterfield & Swire	London	To-day
Taisang	3 c	Hogg	Brit. str.	1505	May 14	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Swatow	To-day
Tai Yick	5 h	Emke	Ger. str.	903	May 16	Meyer & Co.		
Teheran	5 k	Tocque	Brit. str.	1631	May 8	P. & O. S. N. Co.	Bombay	18th inst.
Tetartos	8 c	Breitung	Ger. str.	1579	May 15	Siemssen & Co.		
Torrington	1 c	Berwick	Brit. str.	1565	Feb. 2	Dodwell, Carlill & Co.		
Triumph	3 c	Bruhn	Ger. str.	674	May 16	Edward Schellhass & Co.	Hoihow, &c.	
Wuotan	3 h	Ott	Ger. str.	1016	May 16	Wieler & Co.		
Yung Chung	3 h	Richards	Chi. str.	764	May 14	Chinese	Tientsin	To-day
Zafiro	5 c	Cobban	Brit. str.	675	May 16	Shewan & Co.	Amoy	18th inst.
Zambesi	4 c	Edwards	Brit. str.	1560	May 8	Gibb, Livingston & Co.		
Sailing Vessels.								
Adolph	5 c	Westerguard	Ger. bqe.	867	April 28	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.		
Charmer	1 c	Holmez	Amer. sh.	1796	May 14	Jardine, Matheson & Co.		
Edward May	5 c	McCluse	Am. bqe.	890	May 4	Captain		
John McLeod	4 c	Henderson	Brit. sh.	1595	May 2	Douglas, Lapraik & Co.		
Omega	4 c	Brown	Brit. bqe.	480	May 8	Master		
Penshaw	8 h	Inokay	Brit. bqe	729	May 7	Gibb, Livingston & Co.		
Wandering Jew	8 c	Nichols	Amer. sh.	1650	May 12	Order		
Wm. H. Smith	9 c	Brown	Amer. sh.	1908	Mar. 16	Jardine, Matheson & Co.		
Wm. J. Rotch	5 c	Bray	Amer. sh.	1665	April 29	Order		

Her Britannic Majesty's Ships on the China Station.

Name.	Rig.	Tons.	Guns.	I.H.P.	Captain.	Where at.
Alacrity	despatch-vessel	1760	4	3180	Com. Chas. H. Adair	Shanghai
Archer	cruiser 3rd class	3560	6	—	Comd. J. Ferris	Shanghai
Caroline	cruiser 3rd class	1400	14	1440	Captain Clutterbuck	Shanghai
Egeria	surveying ship	740	—	—	Commander A. M. Field	Sandakan
Esk	g-bt. 3rd class coast defence	353	3	340	———	Shanghai (in dock)
Firebrand	gunboat 2nd class	455	4	460	Lieut.-Com. L. G. Tufnell	Hongkong
Hyacinth	cruiser 3rd class	1420	8	1190	Captain Robt. W. Craigie	Singapore
Impérieuse	twinscrew battle ship	8400	10	10000	———	Shanghai
Leander	cruiser 2nd class	4300	10	5500	Captain Burges Watson	Hongkong
Linnet	gun-vessel 2nd class	756	5	1050	Commander V. A. Tisdall	Hongkong
Mercury	cruiser 2nd class	3730	13	7290	Capt. Chas. J. Balfour	Hakodate
Pallas	cruiser	2575	20	7500	Captain Angus MacLeod	Shanghai
Peacock	gunboat 1st class	750	6	1200	Lieut.-Commander Ingram	Hongkong
Penguin	cruiser	1630	—	—	Captain W. V. Moore	Shanghai
Pigmy	gunboat 1st class	755	6	1200	Lieut.-Com. Hewett	Shanghai
Plover	gunboat 1st class	755	6	1200	Lieut.-Com. Lewis Knox Bell	Singapore
Porpoise	cruiser 3rd class	1770	8	3500	Commander Barr	target practice
Rattler	gunboat 1st class	715	6	1200	Lieut.-Com. J. G. Heugh	Singapore
Redpole	gunboat 1st class	805	6	1200	Lieut.-Com. F. Wm. Freeman	Shanghai
Severn	cruiser 2nd class	4050	12	6000	Captain Hall	Amoy
Swift	gun-vessel 2nd class	756	5	1010	Commander Robt. D. B. Bruce	Chinkiang
Tweed	g-bt. 3rd class coast defence	363	3	340	———	In reserve
Tyne	troopship	1543	—	—	Commander N. A. Pollard	Singapore
Victor Emanuel	receiving ship	5157	14	—	Commodore H. B. Palliser, R.N.	Hongkong
Wivern	coastdefenceship, armoured	2753	4	1450	———	Hongkong

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Foreign Men-of-war on the China and Japan Station.

Name.	Flag and Rig.	Tons.	Guns.	H.P.	Captain.	Where at.
Alcout	Russian gunboat	800	—	—	Captain Parenego	Nagasaki
Alert	U. S. corvette	1020	8	—	Captain Hitchcock	Nagasaki
Alliance	U. S. gunboat	615	—	—	Commander Felix McCurley	Nagasaki
Aspic	French gunboat	470	4	450	Commander Journet	Kiukiang
Charleston	U. S. cruiser	3730	8	—	Captain Remey	Kobe
Curtatone	Italian cruiser	363	—	—	Captain S. Palermo	Hongkong
Diu	Portuguese gunboat	706	—	—	Captain H. M. Gomes	Macao
Hiyei	Japanese cruiser	2248	—	—	Capt. M. Mori	Nagasaki
Iltis	German gunboat	439	—	—	Captain Müller	Shanghai
Incobstant	French gunboat	800	—	—	Capt. de Jonquine	Wuhu
Itsukushima	Japanese cruiser	4217	—	—	Captain Issobe	Kobe
Lancaster	U. S. cruiser	2120	—	—	Capt. Lely	Amoy
Lion	French gunboat	460	—	—	Lieutenant Papaix	Amoy
Lutin	French gunboat	455	4	425	Captain Nény	Tourun
Marion	U. S. corvette	1900	7	1170	Commander Dye	Amoy
Mandjour	Russian cruiser	1700	—	—	Captain V. Brandt	Kobe
Manchuria	U. S. sloop	1370	5	1470	Lieut.-Com. Barber	Shanghai
Pamiat Azova	Russian cruiser	6500	—	—	Captain Bauer	Amoy
Palos	U. S. gunboat	420	5	60	Lieut.-Com. Craig	Shanghai
Petrel	U. S. gunboat	884	—	—	Lt.-Com. M. R. S. Mackenzie	Shanghai
Pluvier	French gunboat	640	—	450	Lieut.-Commander Lapied	Haiphong
Reina Cristina	Spanish cruiser	3000	—	—	Captain Pedro Cazorla	Amoy
San Quintin	Spanish gunboat	1893	—	—	Capt. De Manuel Eliza	Manila
Sivoutch	Russian cruiser	900	4	1000	Commander Piatkain	Shanghai
Swatara	U. S. corvette	—	—	—	Commander John McGowan	Kobe
Triomphante	French cruiser	4500	—	—	Capt. Borel de Brétizel	Saigon
Velasco	Spanish cruiser	—	4	—	Captain Jose Ferrandiz	Shanghai
Vittara	French cruiser	—	—	—	Captain Thomas	Shanghai
Vipere	French gunboat	480	4	120	Commander Conatolla	Shanghai
Volturno	Italian gunboat	346	—	—	Captain Chev. Ricotti	Shanghai
Wolf	German gunboat	384	6	340	Captain Hellhoff	Shanghai
Yamato	Japanese corvette	1476	7	—	Captain Moro-oka	Shanghai

SHIPPING IN CHINA, JAPAN, PHILIPPINES & SIAM WATERS.

WHAMPOA.

Vessel's Name.	*Flag & Rig.*	*Destination.*
Ardgay	Brit. str.	
Chogasing	Brit. str.	
Dorothy	Brit. bqe.	
Hsin-sheng	Chi. str.	
Kwang Lee	Chi. str.	
Tai Yick	Ger. str.	

AMOY.

In port on May 9, 1892.

MERCHANT STEAMER.

Fokien	British
Hailoong	British

MERCHANT SAILING VESSEL.

Cape City	Br. 3m.sch.

FOOCHOW.

In port on May 8, 1892.

MERCHANT STEAMERS.

Namoa	British

SHANGHAI.

In port on April 29, 1892.

MERCHANT STEAMERS.

Changan	British
Chingtu	British
Fungshun	Chinese
Guthrie	British
Kiangkwan	Chinese
Kiangping	Chinese
Kiangyung	Chinese
Kin Ling	Chinese
Kobe Maru	Japanese
Kowshing	British
Kung Wo	British
Liaoshing	British
Malacca	British
Melbourne	French
Moyune	British
Ningpo	German
Prism	British
Ravenna	British
Smith	Chinese
Store Nordiske	Danish
Surat	British
Taisang	British
Taiwo	British
Toonan	Chinese
Vorwaerts	German

MERCHANT SAILING VESSELS.

Conference	Brit. bqe.
Escort	Amer. bqe.
Georgietta	Amer. bqe.
Hesper	Amer. bqe.
Hilda	Brit. sch.
Prosper	Br. 4-m.sc.
Wm. L. Lachuer	Brit. bqe.

NAGASAKI.

In Port on April 30, 1892.

Kozaki Maru	Japan.	bq.

YOKOHAMA.

In port on April 29, 1892.

Arctic	Brit.	sch.
Diana	Amer.	sch.
Geo. Skolfield	Amer.	sh.
John Currier	Amer.	sh.
Narwhal	Brit.	ycht.
Norma	Brit.	sch.
North American	Am.	sh.
Saipan	Amer.	sch.

HIOGO.

In port on April 30, 1892.

Belle O'Brien	Amer.	sh.

MANILA.

In Port on April 18, 1892.

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Don Juan	Span.	str. Hongkong
España	Span.	str. Singapore
Freeman	Amer.	bqe. New York
Henry Failing	Amer.	sh. New York
Hiogo Maru	Japan.	str. Japan
Isla de Luzon	Span.	str. Spain
Montones	Span.	str. Provinces
Rembrandt	Brit.	str. Liverpool
Southern Cross	Amer.	sh. New York
Hungkiang	Brit.	str. Hongkong
Volga	Fch.	str. Saigon
Wm. H. Connor	Amer.	sh. New York

ILOILO.

MERCHANT SAILING VESSELS.

Arnguda	Brit.	bqe. uncertain
Borghese	Brit.	str. Montreal
Don Enrique	Brit.	bqe. Barbadoes
H. B. Cann	Brit.	bqe. Delaware Breakwater for orders
Niobe	Brit.	sh. uncertain

BANGKOK.

In port on April 27, 1892.

MERCHANT SAILING VESSELS.

Alba	Ital.	bqe.
Aurora	Brit.	bqe.
Ban Pan	Brit.	bqe.
Charon Wattanaliam		bqe.
Dorothy	Brit.	bqe.
Q. of England	Siam.	bqe.
Sostrini	Norw.	bqe.

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